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Bridgefest set for this weekend



Summer in Allegan, MI really begins when Bridgefest hits Riverfront Park and the surrounding streets. All are invited to enjoy time with family and friends while exploring the community tents along Locust and Hubbard Streets, dropping into the many shops to find bargains, finding favorite food in the Allegan restaurants and food trucks, participating in the fun from Riverfront Park across the walking bridge to the bouncing toys in Hanson Park, and settling in for entertainment that begins at noon in Hanson Park and goes into the evening on the Riverfront Stage.

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

10am-10pm: Splash Pad
10am-4pm: Free tours at the Allegan County Historical Society Old Jail Museum
11am-6pm: Community Tents
11am-11pm: Downtown Allegan Social District
11am-10pm: Food Trucks
11am-6pm: Inflatables by The Allegan District Library
11am-8pm: Art Market by The Sassy Olive & Eccentric Garden
12pm-2pm: Panda Pete
12pm-10pm: Ferris Wheel on the Riverfront
12pm-10pm: Ballistic Swings on the Riverfront
2pm-4pm: Tangent on the Riverfront Stage
4pm: Brew Hop .5K by Tantrick Brewing Co, Heronmark, Schaendorf Brewing Company
5pm-7pm: Melophobia on the Riverfront Stage
8pm-10pm: Project 90 on the Riverfront Stage
MORE TO BE ANNOUNCED
Ride tickets are \$1 each or 5 for \$4 – rides cost 2 to 3 tickets each. All-day wristbands are \$10

Confirmed case of measles identified in Allegan County

Allegan County Health Department (ACHD) has confirmed a measles case in Allegan County. ACHD is working closely with the Kent County Health Department and the Michigan Department of Health and Human Services (MDHHS) to investigate the situation in an effort to prevent additional cases, as measles can lead to serious complications. Because the measles virus can remain infectious in the air for up to two hours after an infected person leaves the area, individuals who were present at the following locations may have been exposed:

Coachmen Strength & Conditioning – 7780 Clyde Park Ave. SW, Byron Center, MI, 49315

Monday 6/2 from 6:30 pm to 9:30 pm

University of Michigan Health West – 5900 Byron Center Ave. SW, Wyoming, MI 49519

Wednesday 6/4 from 2:18 am to 5:02 am

University of Michigan Health West Southwest Health Center – 2215 44th St. SW, Wyoming, MI 49519

Wednesday 6/4 from 11:46 am to 3:45 pm

People who were at the above locations during the specified times should monitor for symptoms for 21 days after exposure. Anyone experiencing symptoms is urged to call their healthcare provider before seeking in-person care to prevent further spread. If

Measles

IT ISN'T JUST A LITTLE RASH

MEASLES SYMPTOMS TYPICALLY INCLUDE

- High fever (may spike to more than 104° F)
- Cough
- Runny nose
- Red, watery eyes
- Rash breaks out 3-5 days after symptoms begin

Measles can be dangerous, especially for babies and young children.

seeking medical attention, call ahead to inform the doctor, urgent care, or emergency room of the potential measles exposure before arrival so facilities can take precautions to prevent exposure to other individuals. The ACHD can be reached Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at (269) 673-5411. If outside of ACHD hours, Kent County residents can also contact 2-1-1.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention:

Measles is a highly contagious disease that is spread by direct person-to-person contact and through the air. The measles virus can live in the air or on surfaces for up to two hours. Measles is contagious from four days before the rash symptoms start until four days after the rash appears. Initial symptoms generally appear

within 7-14 days after exposure, but can appear up to 21 days after exposure.

The most common symptoms of measles include:

- High fever (may spike to more than 104°F)
- Cough
- Runny nose
- Red, watery eyes (conjunctivitis)

A rash that is red, raised, and blotchy; usually starts on the face and spreads to the trunk, arms, and legs three to five days after symptoms begin.

Tiny white spots on the inner cheeks, gums, and roof of the mouth (Koplik Spots) two to three days after symptoms begin.

The recommended protection against measles is the MMR (measles, mumps, rubella) vaccination. The measles vaccine is highly effective, safe, and provides long-lasting protection. Two

doses of the MMR vaccine are about 97% effective at preventing measles.

Governor declares state of emergency for Allegan County

Michigan Gov. Gretchen Whitmer has declared a state of emergency in Allegan County after storms and two tornadoes whipped through the area on May 15.

The declaration frees up state resources for the county to help local response and recovery efforts. It may also open the door to financial assistance to cover eligible response and recovery costs. The state of emergency will last until July 3 at the latest, the governor's office wrote. On May 15, two EF1

tornadoes touched down in Allegan County: one in the Hopkins/Dorr area and one near Martin. They

spread of severe illness and disease." Check with your healthcare provider or contact the Allegan County Health Department at (269) 673-5411 for questions regarding vaccination status. ACHD recommends preventing the spread of illness by:

Getting the MMR vaccine. Avoiding being around infected individuals.

Contacting your local healthcare provider immediately if you or your child has been exposed to someone with the measles.

For more information, contact the ACHD at (269) 673-5411.



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were among 11 confirmed tornadoes in lower Michigan that night. Winds reached 95 mph and damage from fallen trees and utility lines on homes were reported.

Damage in the Martin area the day after severe storms rolled through.

Allegan County's emergency management agency said its preliminary assessment estimated around \$2.2 million in damage from the severe storms. The county declared a local state of emergency.

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Old Jail Museum dons new sign and extended hours

By Gari Voss

The Old Jail Museum on Walnut Street in Allegan has a bright, new sign thanks to the efforts of the Allegan County Historical Society. The sign was designed by Historical Society member, William Shields, who owns and operates The Sign Shop in Kalamazoo. With a tall ladder and scaffolding, Mark Lovett and Greg Hipps secured the sign to the entrance side of the

building. The Old Jail Museum has extended their days for the summer to include Fridays and Saturdays from 10am – 4pm. All are welcome to drop in and tour the building with a guide or to just come and enjoy learning about Allegan County through the amazing memorabilia donated, or wonderful books and pamphlets that have been created over the years.



Using a combination of scaffolding and ladders, Mark Lovett was able to attach the new sign near the entrance to the Old Jail Museum in Allegan. Photo: Jill Bentley

County gets five new supervisors

By John Raffel
Correspondent

ALLEGAN — The 2024 election produced five new township supervisors. Rich Rawson is the new supervisor in Lee Township and is a throwback citizen-servant leader. Though Rawson defeated incumbent Scott Owen, the two remain friends with Owen advising Rawson on the mechanics of being a supervisor, said James Storey, former county commissioner. Besides his duties for Allegan County’s southwest township, Rawson has a day job that requires daily rising at 4:00 am for a 30-mile drive. Six months into his elected post, Rawson notes “It is more than I thought it would be.”



Lee Twp supervisor Rich Rawson

He said he wants to keep Lee headed in the right direction and points to the installation of fiber optic cables in the rural township. He adds that internet service will be installed in houses at no cost to residents. Among his goals, Storey said, is to bring more

business to Lee and he is employing the economic development firm, Lakeshore Advantage, to help. Working with township treasurer Joe Godlew, the township is on solid financial ground. They point to a 25 percent increase in the property values in part attributable to the spurt of second home construction by out-of-state visitors. The soon-to-be completed internet, an initiative to keep the township clean, especially in Pullman, and the rise in property values leads Rawson and Godlew to be “full of optimism” for the township. They confidently predict “Lee will be totally different,” going forward.



Car Show benefits Burn Camp

The weather was perfect for the Burn Camp Car Show in Salem Township Park this Friday. The show had record entries again this year of not only classic cars and tractors, even motorhomes and ATV’s stopped by for the fun. Kids played in the park while the adults filled out tickets for raffle items numbering into the hundreds. From hanging baskets, vegetables, toys,

guns to handmade quilts, there was something for everyone. Food, music and classic cars filled the park into the evening hours. Many of the local fire departments were on site showcasing their equipment and connecting with the community. Each department also selects vehicles for car show awards. Support for Burn Camp is something special to them as another resource they can share with those

they meet as responding to homes or accidents where someone is burn injured. Proceeds from the show go to benefit Great Lakes Burn Camp and because of fundraising events like this no child had to pay for attending. They now offer a summer and winter camp option. Camp provides opportunity for burn injured children to come together to laugh, play heal and grow.

Underground Power Line Pilot Program proves effective

Record-breaking severe weather has swept across the state during the first half of 2025. While these storms have left a path of destruction, Consumers Energy is proud to announce early successes from its underground power line pilot program. Initial data shows that areas included in the 9-mile pilot experienced fewer outages and improved overall system reliability compared to overhead-line service areas. Buried power lines are better protected from common outage causes, including lightning, high winds, tornadoes, heavy snow, ice and falling tree limbs. Launched in 2024, the pilot program is a part of Consumers Energy’s long-term plans to move more power lines underground, bolstering the

company’s infrastructure as outlined in the Reliability Roadmap. Key Outcomes So Far in 2025: • 100% reduction in storm-related outages to underground pilot areas compared to surrounding neighborhoods with overhead systems. • Improved customer satisfaction, with feedback citing increased peace of mind during severe weather events. “We are seeing clear, measurable benefits from this pilot program,” said Chris Laird, Consumers Energy’s vice president of electric operations. “Not only have we improved reliability for our customers, but we’ve also reduced emergency repair costs and enhanced public safety.” The pilot program targeted circuits that have

frequent, lengthy outages and are in areas with dense trees in Genesee, Livingston, Allegan, Ottawa, Montcalm, and Iosco counties. “In order for us to continue growing, we need reliable power,” said Allegan County Commissioner Scott Beltman. “Consumers Energy is really stepping up to the plate to make (our county) reliable for our residents to live and prosper here.” Underground lines currently make up about 15 percent of all Consumers Energy electric lines, most being in subdivisions and areas with high population density. Burying lines improves reliability by 90% or more. In the next 5 years, the company aims to bury over 1,000 miles of line, subject to regulatory approval.

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

Community Calendar - Week of June 9, 2025

EVENTS TO WATCH FOR!

Fri., June 13, 7-9pm: Rollin’ on the River – Patty PerShayla
Allegan Riverfront off Hubbard St. Allegan

Sat., June 14, 2025, 10am-3pm: Inaugural Allegan Bridgefest Downtown Throw-Down Urban Disc Pop Up
Griswold Auditorium 401 Hubbard St. Allegan

Sat., June 14, 2025, 4pm: Bridgefest Bridge Hop .5K Race
Schaendorf’s Brewery & around town

Sat., June 14, 2025, 11am-10pm: Allegan Bridgefest
Downtown Allegan from Water St. to the Riverfront

Sat., June 14, 2025, 11am-6pm: Painting on the Riverfront
Fri., June 13 – Sun., June 15, 2025: Summerfest 2025 in Downtown Wayland
Featuring live entertainment, delicious food, and exciting free activities for all ages!

CURRENT EVENTS

Wed., June 11, 2025: Fun at the Library
Allegan District Library 331Hubbard St. Allegan

10am-Noon – Play Café: Caregivers can relax while others entertain the children.

2pm – Recess for Adults: Come and interact with friends from The Arc of Allegan County.

6pm – No-Sew Junk Journal: Kali will teach how to make a no-sew junk journal. Register at 269 673-4625.

Thurs., June 12, 2025, 8am-2pm: Allegan Farmers Market
Parking Lot Water & Cutler Streets Allegan
Double up food bucks are available at City Hall 231 Trowbridge St. Enjoy a wide variety of fruits and vegetables plus live plants, specialty foods, and crafts.

Thurs., June 12, 2025, 9am: Allegan Area Chamber of Commerce Golf Tournament
Cheshire Hills Golf Course 102nd Ave. Allegan
Join the fun shooting 18 holes, participating in a Lottery Tree, Prizes & Games of Skill, and enjoying a prime rib luncheon. Register at 269 673-2479 or director@allegan-chamber.com

Thurs., June 12, 2025: Fun at the Library
Allegan District Library 331Hubbard St. Allegan

10:30am – Preschool Storytime: 3-5 year old can enjoy stories and activities.

3pm – Messy Munchkins: Ages 0-7 can let their imaginations run away when creating murals with finger paints.

Thurs., June 12, 2025, 4-6pm: Plant Workshop
Tantrick Down Under 243 Hubbard St. Allegan
EccentriC Garden will host a succulent terrarium workshop.

Fri., June 13 – Sun., June 15, 2025: Summerfest
Wayland Downtown Wayland
downtownwayland.com

Fri., June 13, 7-9pm: Rollin’ on the River – Patty PerShayla
Allegan Riverfront off Hubbard St. Allegan
Enjoy some fun rock.

Fri., June 13 & Sat., June 14, 2025, 10am-4pm: Old Jail Museum.
The Old Jail Museum 113 Walnut Street Allegan
The Allegan County Historical Society invites all to tour or peruse the museum during its summer hours. Private tours can be arranged with a docent by calling (269) 673-8292.
Email: oldjailmuseum06@yahoo.com Webpage: www.alleganoldjail.com

Sat., June 14, 2025, 10am-3pm: Inaugural Allegan Bridgefest Downtown Throw-Down Urban Disc Pop Up
Griswold Auditorium 401 Hubbard St. Allegan
The course is free, fun, pitch & putt, pop-up 9-hole tournament through downtown Allegan during Bridgefest. The holes are 0-130 feet and within the Allegan Social District. Organizer Tim Carr encourages all to bring their best “putter” and enjoy discovering alleys, stairways and walks around downtown. Drawings, giveaways and prizes will be awarded.

Sat., June 14, 2025, 11am: The Library bounces into the Summer Reading Kickoff
Allegan District library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan
Come to Hanson Park behind the library for fun and register for the summer reading program.

Sat., June 14, 2025, 4pm: Bridgefest Bridge Hop .5K Race
243 Hubbard St. Allegan
Sign up at any of the 3 Breweries in Allegan
All in fun... run the shortest race ever! Beer stops at each checkpoint that must be gulped to continue.

Sat., June 14, 2025, 11am-10pm: Allegan Bridgefest
Downtown Allegan from Water St. to the Riverfront
Enjoy a day of interaction with local organizations and shops, and lots of fun, food and music.
Don’t miss the 1st annual Brew Hop, bounce toys, community tents, rides, and food.

Sat., June 14, 2025, 11am-6pm: Painting on the Riverfront

Come and join at least 16 other artists who will paint and have their work available during Bridgefest. At 1pm, Holbein will demonstrate some of their paint supplies.

Mon, June 16, 2025: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan

Friends of the Library Donation Drive
10am – Summer Reading begins.
11am – Pokemon Kids Club: All ages can dive into the world of Pokemon.

6pm – Craftastic: Pointillism Flower Painting:
Make a cool craft to take home. Register at 269 673-4625.

Mon., June 16, 2025, 5-8pm: Fork in the Road, Food Truck Rally
Downtown Allegan. Find your favorite food! Trucks will be lined up along Brady and Locust Streets and shops will have extended hours.

Mon., June 16, 2025, 4-8pm: Stitch Night at the Den
Bear & Fox Yarn Den Brady St. Allegan
Bring a project and drop in for a casual evening of stitching.

Tues., June 17, 2025: Library Fun
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan

Friends of the Library Donation drive
10:30 am – Lapsit Storytime: 0-2 year olds can listen to stories and activities.

2pm – Teen Cricut Club, T-shirts: Make personalized T-shirts with the Cricut Machine. Register at 673 673-4625.

5:15pm – Friends of the Library Interest Meeting:
All are invited.

Wed., June 18, 2026: Library Fun!
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan

Friends of the Library Donation Drive
2pm – Teen Tie Dye Club: Make colorful artwork – June is tote bag month.

6:30pm – Pub Quiz: Tantrick Brewing Co. 243 Hubbard St.

Wed., June 18, 2025, 6:30pm: Pub Quiz Night
Tantrick Brewing Co 243 Hubbard St. Allegan
Teams can begin registering at 5:30pm. A library card gains extra points. There are 4 round of 10 questions each. Test your memory!

Wed., June 18, 2025, 6-7:30pm: Mushroom Workshop
Allegan Conservation District 2412 Taft Rd. Allegan
Sponsored by the Allegan Conservation District. For additional information, contact Allegan.Admin@macd.org.

Wed., June 18, 2025: Bike Nights
Wayland Downtown Wayland
downtownwayland.com

Thurs., June 19, 2025, 8am-2pm: Allegan Farmers Market
Parking Lot Water & Cutler Streets Allegan
Double up food bucks are available at City Hall 231 Trowbridge St. Enjoy a wide variety of fruits and vegetables plus live plants, specialty foods, and crafts.

Thurs., June 19, 2025: Library Fun!
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan

Friends of the Library Donation Drive
10:30am – Preschool Storytime: 3-5 year old have fun interacting with books.

2pm – Discover 4-H with MSU: 5-12 year olds can enjoy learning about different countries and doing crafts.

6pm – Intro to Ham Radio: Learn about amateur radio with the Allegan County Amateur Radio Club.

Thurs., June 19, 2025, 4-6pm: Third Thirsty Thursday
Allegan Event 439 River St. Allegan
The Allegan Area Chamber and the Allegan Jaycees collaborate for fun networking.

Fri., June 20, 2025, 9am-4pm: Community Rummage Sale
Glenn Public School 1394 Adams Rd. Glenn
Donations can be dropped off at the school June 12-18 (no clothing). All proceeds will benefit Glenn Public School PTC.

Fri., June 20, 2025, Library Fun!
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard St. Allegan

Friends of the Library Donation Drive
6pm – Teen Nerf Night: Duke it out in the stacks and enjoy a hydration break. Register at 269 673-4625

Fri., June 20, 2025, 3pm: Hudsonville Balloon Days & Craft Show
Hudsonville Community Fair 5235 Park Ave. Hudsonville
Hosted by Veteran Helping Veteran. Check <https://www.facebook.com/hudsonvilleballoondays>.

Fri., June 20, 7-9pm: Rollin’ on the River – Da’Vonce & DaFunk Gang

Allegan Riverfront off Hubbard St. Allegan
Enjoy some funk & hip-hop.

Fri., June 20 & Sat., June 21, 2025, 10am-4pm: Old Jail Museum.
The Old Jail Museum 113 Walnut Street Allegan
The Allegan County Historical Society invites all to tour or peruse the museum during its summer hours. Private tours can be arranged with a docent by calling (269) 673-8292.
Email: oldjailmuseum06@yahoo.com Webpage: www.alleganoldjail.com

Sat, June 21, 2025, 8am: Camp Kidwell Golf Scramble & Auction
Cheshire Hills Golf Course 102nd Ave. Allegan
The Golf Outing and auction were postponed dur to weather, so get your 4-some and register at campkidwell.org or register at 8am for a 9am Shotgun Start. Be a player, a hole sponsor and/or an auction bidder and have a wonderful day with family and friends! The online auction is <https://auctria.events/kidwellgolf25>.

Sat., June 21, 2025, 12pm: Lila’s Fund Corn Hole Tournament
1236 122nd Ave. Hopkins, MI 49328
Get ready for an exciting event! Our First Annual Lila’s Fund Cornhole Tournament. Join us in our mission to raise funds to support families in need. We are dedicated to providing essential wish list items to families staying at the Ronald McDonald House Charities! Visit www.lilasfund.org/event-list to register! Questions: email lilasfund513@gmail.com or call 269 832-2642.

Sat., June 21 & Sun. June 22, 2025, 7pm: Theater in the Park
The Gazebo at Mahan Park Brady St. Allegan
Celebrate the 1st day of summer with an evening of theater at the remodeled Mahan Park. The free show is for all ages.

Mon., June 23, 2025, 4-8pm: Stitch Night at the Den
Bear & Fox Yarn Den Brady St. Allegan
Bring a project and drop in for a casual evening of stitching.

Mon., June 23, 2025, 5-8pm: Fork in the Road, Food Truck Rally
Downtown Allegan. Find your favorite food! Trucks will be lined up along Brady and Locust Streets and shops will have extended hours.

ONGOING OPPORTUNITIES

FUN FOR THE FAMILY

Bingo!, Wednesdays, 6pm: American Legion Hall
Senior Bingo!, Tuesdays from 1-3pm: American Legion Hall
Corner of Eastern Avenue and Hooker, Allegan

Allegan District Library, M-Th 10am-8pm, F 10am-5:30pm, Sat.10am-4pm:
Plus, Carnegie Corner Bookstore (Friend available on Tuesdays)
Allegan District Library 331 Hubbard Street, lower level Allegan (269) 673-4625

Allegan Event – Ropes Course, Walls and More
439 River Street Allegan
Twilight Special: Thurs., 4-9pm, 2hrs. for \$18
Free Game Card: Fri., 4-9pm w/ \$20 food purchase
Family 4-Pack: Sat., 5-9pm, 4 premier combo tickets w/pizza+ for \$130
For more information call 269-430-3961 or check online at <https://www.alleganevent.com>

Allegan County Historical Society, Old Jail Museum.
Fridays & Saturdays, 10 am – 4 pm, (269) 673-8292.
Call to confirm hours or arrange for a private tour.
Email: oldjailmuseum06@yahoo.com Webpage: www.alleganoldjail.com

Children’s Book Box – Immanuel Lutheran Church
Lutheran Church 631 Grand Street Allegan
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Iron Bridge Quilters - Thursdays, 10am-2pm
Blessed Sacrament Church 110 Cedar St. Allegan
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Scouting: Allegan has a variety of scouting opportunities. Each group is meeting in different ways to stay safe.
Cub Scout Pack 3026: Grades K-5. Call Cub Master Ron Gunter ron.f.gunter@gmail.com
Boy Scouts BSA 91 (boys 11-17 yrs.): Contact Scout Master Rob Keen 269 568-0435, een1112@gmail.com
Girls Troop BSA 191 (girls 11-17): Contact Sara Keen sarajkeen@gmail.com.

Senior Fitness/Fit Over 50: Fun fitness designed for ages 50-80plus!
Hicks Gym, 311 E Plainwell Street, Plainwell. Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays at 9am. Drop in or call Sharrin at 269-330-3204 or email at denzgirlc@att.net.

The Fairways:
237 Hubbard St. Allegan (269) 655-5890
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Tilt 118: Ice Cream, Pinball Machines, Food and More
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Pinball Leagues, Pinball Classes, Arcade Rental
Contact: Email: smalltownamusements@gmail.com; Phone: 269 720-8137

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218 S. Farmer St. Otsego Tues. 10am-4pm; Thurs. 1-5pm
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for babies to 6 mo. For emergency needs, call 269 694-4775 or Marlene 269 217-8293. This is supported by the 7th-Day Adventist Church and an ACCF TAG Grant.

Allegan County Community Action - Assistance for daily living
23 Water Street, Allegan, MI 49010, www.communityactionallegan.org, (269) 673-5472
Food, weatherization, early childhood education.

Allegan Homeless Solutions - Helping eliminate barriers to housing.
108 Grant St., Plainwell MI 49080
www.alleganhomelessolutions.org, Email: info@alleganhomelessolutions.org

The Arc of Allegan County - Advocates for people with disabilities
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VIEWPOINTS

My father, my hero

(I wrote this a few years ago but wanted share it again. Heck I might share this column over and over for years to come. The man meant so much to me)

This week I give pause to reflect on my hero, my father. Although he was buried several years ago, there isn't a day I don't think about him, and this week I have conjured up dozens of great moments he and I have shared.

I only hope I have been half the man and three quarters of the father, my dad was. He was the most unselfish, even-tempered person I have ever known. Everyone who encountered him, came away impressed with his knowledge and thoughtfulness.

As an elected official, and he was for 30 years, enduring and never losing 14 elections, my father was very different from the current breed of politicians. Heck he probably would not have survived this day and age of divisive politics.

He was by nature an introvert. He rarely spoke but when he did people listened. And his well thought out suggestions and opinions were welcomed by all. His political motivations were conciliatory rather than combative. He for the most part disregarded political affiliation and broke bread and made legislation with members of both sides of the aisle.

After politics, after newspaper publishing, after a few years of daily golf, it was his role of caregiver that I most admire him for. My mother was suffering from dementia and slowly but surely, year after year, it became worse to the point he had to give up golf, give up socializing, to essentially take care of her 24-7.

Not I or my four siblings realized my mother was failing so quickly. None of us lived near their Florida home, and when we made the trip to visit once or twice a year, she seemed okay. Not until after his death and my sister tried to take her in, did we realize the progression of her dementia. My father never let on nor did he ever complain.

But that was him. No complaints, no temper tantrums and always happy despite how dire the situation.

It just occurred to me I never heard the man use a swear word. Never ever.



MIKE'S MUSINGS

MIKE WILCOX
■ PUBLISHER ■

Of course it was rare to hear his voice. I remember as a 15-year-old going to my first deer camp. It was a 200-mile drive. That drive seemed like it was 2000 miles because my father never said a word. Not one word on that 200-mile journey.

But that was just him. He would rather let his actions do the talking. And as a newspaperman and a politician he accomplished more than most people. Way back when he purchased a newspaper that was printed on a mimeograph machine and turned it in to a full-fledged weekly must read product. In politics he enjoyed the company of presidents as he rose to become chairperson of the National Association of Counties.

What he lacked in oratorical skills he more than made up in sheer will, determination and hard work. No one worked harder. I can remember as a little kid never seeing my dad on Wednesday nights. That was the night he printed his newspaper and it was an all-night process. He worked it alone, running his little press, week after week, hour after hour.

I marvel at those memories now. I too am a hard worker and complain very little. I don't like to swear, and people are nervous around me because I don't talk much. There is no question I am my father's son. I couldn't be prouder. He was a hero to me and others. I hope I can be the same for my son.

Happy Father's Day to all of us out there who try to make life better for our families. You deserve a toast.

Over the past three decades and a sprinkling of years I have been fortunate to know a now-retired professor of mathematics at a small university here in Michigan. Someone once said, "Math is just numbers," but the subject is a foreign language to me. Nor do we have an especially close relationship since we only met a few times and correspond infrequently.

We were introduced to each by a mutual friend in northern Wisconsin. Like a dwindling number of people, we were still avid readers of Sam Campbell's nature books. Walt had been a longtime friend of Sam and his wife, and was a writer a old-fashioned newspaper man who hammered out his pieces on a manual Remington typewriter, augmented by carbon paper and White-out. One day he wrote and gave me the professor's name and address and said we should get in touch because she was writing a biography of Sam Campbell.

Like many newly minted retirees, she is exploring what might become the next chapter in her life. Soon after she hung up her academic cap and gown, she became a lay chaplain at a nearby retirement community. Being a devout Christian who has been slowly migrating toward the Anglicans, she has been thinking ("discerning," as it is called in many churches, the possibility of ordained ministry.

There is nothing easy about ordination in most mainline denominations. It is expensive, very time-consuming, and to be honest, sometimes the future looks rather bleak. Many churches are steadily declining, and it is almost impossible for the smaller ones to be self-sustaining, much less afford a full-time minister. There is a lot more, and when it is all combined together, it is discouraging.

We have corresponded on those topics and then make a warp-drive leap

back to Sam Campbell's books and essays to find a lot of encouragement.

Maybe you have watched Rich Steves, the perpetually enthusiastic and cheerful host of international travel television programs. He also leads trips to various places around the world. Suffice it to note Sam was an early version of him.

He began his work as a promoter and travel writer for the old Chicago and Northwestern Railroads. He wrote some of their advertising, took tours to the national parks, and during the off-season traveled around the country with his travelogues of the wilderness. Sam Campbell was highly successful and used some of his money to buy a small island in northern Wisconsin. There, beginning in the early 1940s until his death in 1961, he wrote a series of books devoured by young readers.

When we put him in the historical context, he was working and promoting rail travel to resorts and national parks in the midst of the Great Depression. He took his films on tour during that same era, charging a quarter or fifty cents for admission. When war broke out in December 1941, leisure travel came to an end. He retreated to his cabin and began writing his stories in the middle of the war and got them published when paper was rationed. A few years later, in the midst of the Red Scare and Korean War, he wrote Nature's Messages, about the wisdom people can find in the wilderness.

More than anything else, he was able to step away from financial, social, political problems, and the two wars to put his emphasis on joy and hope. The problems and uncertainties of the world are never mentioned in his writings, even though they were on everyone's mind. For example, in one of his books, a teenage boy, Hi-Bub, was very discouraged by the world around him. He was morose, listless,



G CORWIN STOPPEL

and had lost the joy in life. All things considered, but never mentioned, was his fear of a very bleak looking world. Gradually, through spending time learning the lessons of nature the young man, comes out of his depression.

Another lesson turns up in Beloved Rascals where the Campbells go to the Canadian Rockies to film movies for a future program. There, they encounter a bus driver who is wonderfully cheerful. Sam points out that the driver has been on the same route for years, answers the same questions, helps people in and out of the bus, and is perpetually enthusiastic. "How do you do it?" he asked the fellow. The driver explains that he reminds himself every morning that some of his passengers have saved their money for years for this trip of a lifetime, so he wants to do everything he can to make it a wonderful experience. Meanwhile, other passengers are probably taking their last holiday, and wants to create some wonderful memories for them and their family.

Sam wrote about canoe trips to the north country and the fun the group had, even in the drenching rain. He told fun tales about raccoons that had a battle with their own reflection in a mirror, a crow that had been hurt in a forest fire, and more. In short, he told tales of people finding and making

their own fun, even when the rest of the world was going to You-Know-Where.

That is the lesson for today. Pick any era in American history, or even the history of the entire world starting with the cave-dwellers, and without much effort we can find plenty to grip about. No time was ever perfect, and there were big dump truck loads of hurt and pain all around.

I don't think much, other than technology, has changed because human nature seems to remain consistent. If we are angry with the world, we can move from one topic to the next. If we are going to lie, cheat, and steal our way to the top, if one way doesn't work, we'll find another. We can always find a new subject to blame for our misery.

The other way is to look around and find the goodness in life. We learned that from a canoe trip where the weather turned filthy, and they spent a day sitting underneath up-turned canoes to keep dry, and invested their hours by singing together.

My favorite story comes from Nature's Message, where he wrote about his favorite visitor. A guest came to his island cottage. He was singing as he paddled his canoe across the lake. Over the course of the next days they ran into one challenge after another - a boat motor that would not start, mosquitoes, and a host of other challenges. The guest continued to sing and have a good time. And when he had to return to the city, Sam's guest began to sing as he paddled to the other shore.

That is the sort of guest we all like; when the occasion we are a guest, that's how our host and hostess would like to find us.

It seems to me that we need more writers like Sam Campbell who can find goodness in so many places, and a lot more people to put those ideas into practice.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Wayland group promotes gun safety

Dear Editor:

Wayland Community for Gun Safety recognizes the month of June as a time to raise awareness of the ongoing harm of gun violence and to emphasize the need for partnership between local, state, and federal governments to protect lives through common sense firearm storage and regulation.

Residents are encouraged to join in honoring the lives of victims and survivors of gun violence,

and in building community to prevent gun violence by wearing orange during National Gun Violence Awareness Month.

We support gun safety because firearm-related deaths continue to be the leading cause of death among children and adolescents in the United States. Gun violence impacts us all in one way or another. Almost two-thirds of adults report that they or someone they know or care about have experi-

enced gun violence in their lifetime.

But it doesn't have to be this way. We can reduce the incidence of unintentional shootings, school shootings and suicides by storing firearms in the home and vehicle, out of the reach of children. Gun safes and gun safety locks are part of the answer. Cable style gun locks are provided at no charge by police departments, including the Wayland City police and Michigan State

Police. These agencies also supply Wayland Community for Gun Safety with gun locks who then make them available to you are no charge. Please visit us at Wayland Summerfest, June 13 and 14, where we can help with free gun locks and information on all aspects of safe gun storage. Protecting our children is our responsibility. So Love Our Kids; Lock Your Guns!

Nancy Whitley

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OBITUARIES

Betty Powers, 93

Betty Lorraine (Johnson) Truax Powers (March 12, 1932 - May 9, 2025), beloved mother, grandmother and friend passed away peacefully on May 9, 2025 at the Wings Home surrounded by her loving family. She was 93 years old.

Betty was born on March

12 1932, in Bloomingdale, Michigan to Harry and Ethel Johnson. She lived a life marked by devotion - to her faith, to her family, and to the many friends who were blessed to know her.

A celebration of Betty's life will be held on June 14, 2025 at Christ Com-

munity Church, located at 3370 113th Ave, Allegan MI. Visitation 11:00 am, Celebration of Life at 12 noon, Luncheon to follow. Private family burial.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to Christ Community Church or The Wings Home in her honor.

Tammy Lynn Farrer, 59

Tammy was born on February 3rd, 1966, to Wilford and Sandra (Heckman) Farrer of Allegan, Michigan. At the young age of 59, Tammy passed away at home with her mother and brothers by her side. Tammy was a joyous woman to be around, with a contagious laugh, and you could see her smile sparkle within her eyes.

She was preceded in death by her father, and leaves behind her brothers, Andy Farrer and Craig Farrer, her mother, Sandra Farrer, as well as many close aunts, uncles, cousins, friends and family. Tammy was known as "Aunt Tammy" by many of her cousins and close friends' children and grandchildren. Always sending them a card for each and every holiday including a small craft, a dollar and stickers. She adored her "nieces and nephews", always supporting them in sports, celebrations and life, and these children will miss her dearly.

Tammy spent almost 30 years working at McPherson's Plastics in Otsego, building many friendships that became family along the way. When she wasn't working, she was taking day trips to different places with her mom and brothers. Growing up, she spent



Tammy Lynn Farrer

countless weeks with her family and friends camping and taking vacations. With a wonderfully close family dynamic, Tammy's absence will be noticed, and her beautiful presence will be missed immensely. She enjoyed spending time doing cross stitch, crocheting and she loved to bake all the desserts, and a favorite dish of her family's being her cheesy potatoes.

Over the years, she loved to collect Old World Christmas Santas, and Hallmark Christmas decorations. She had a special bond with her cousin, Rosemary (McLaughlin) McKenney and two dear friends, Kim (Jones), Hinga and Janice (Jones) Nash, who were there for her, every step of life's journey.

From childhood to the very end, these four spent countless vacations and weekends and endured all of the easy and hard aspects of life together. This bond cultivated a sisterhood among them that very few people get to experience. Tammy loved and appreciated their relationships and was able to get through it all with them by her side.

Donations in Tammy's memory may be made to the Melanoma Research Foundation or Wings of Hope Hospice.

Tammy Lynn Farrer's Funeral Service will be on Saturday, June 7th, 2025, at 12:00pm with two hours' visitation beforehand at the Gorden Funeral Residence, Allegan Chapel, located at 528 Trowbridge Street, Allegan Michigan, 49010. Burial to follow at Lindsley Cemetery in Cheshire Township, Allegan Michigan. Luncheon following her graveside in the Trowbridge Township Hall 913 32nd Street, M-40 South, Allegan, Michigan 49010. Tammy's livestream instructions will be posted on Gorden Funeral Residence Website and Facebook page later this week. Website address is gordenfuneral.com and Facebook page is facebook.com/gordenandchappelfuneral.

Nancy E. Kaiser, 77

Nancy departed this life on May 31, 2025, on both the Feast of the Ascension of Jesus Christ and the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at Bronson Methodist Hospital in Kalamazoo, finding peace as she was united with her Lord and Savior. She was born on December 21, 1947, in Chicago and adopted from The Cradle by parents, Elmer and Thelma (Swisher) Dvorak of Spring Lake. Nancy was part of the first graduating class at Spring Lake High School (Lakers) in 1965. She attended Hillsdale College and graduated from Western Michigan University with a Bachelor's of Science Degree in Elementary Education (math and science).

A dedicated professional, Nancy built an impressive career, serving as an executive secretary at various businesses, starting at Security First Bank in Grand Haven, Continental Casualty Company, CNA Financial, and McNault and Greenwalt Stockbrokers in Grand Rapids. Her passion for education led her to teach school at Northeastern in Kalamazoo and Pullman area schools and was a substitute teacher at Otsego Public Schools and St. Margaret's Catholic School from 1987 to 1997. Additionally, she held the role of executive secretary to Rose Patch Label's President in Grand Rapids and worked closely with her husband as the personal secretary for Group Marketing Services Inc., where she oversaw special projects.

Nancy was devoted to her children, grandchildren, family and many friends. She had a profound fascination with ancient Egyptian archaeology, enjoyed watching housing renovation shows, immersed herself in music, and delved into genealogy. Traveling was a cherished pastime, with one of her most celebrated journeys being her trips to Medjugorje, where she sought to experience the apparitions of the Virgin Mary with the visionaries. A familiar



Nancy E. Kaiser

face at Jerry's Repz Gym in Plainwell, she fostered many friendships within her community. Nancy was a devoted member of St. Margaret's Catholic Church and proudly held the title of Lady Elk, Lady 3rd Degree and Lady 4th Degree to her Knights of Columbus husband.

Nancy is survived by her loving husband, James, married on May 6, 1972, at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Spring Lake, and again on their 50th anniversary in 2022 at St. Margaret's Catholic Church. She leaves behind a legacy of love through her son: Benjamin (Phoebe) Kaiser and their children, Maximilian and Alexander; her son Joseph (Anneliese) Kaiser and their children, Nicholas and Johanna; her son Andrew (Teresa) Kaiser and their children,

Baylie, Samantha, and Addison; her daughter Jennifer Kaiser and her son Daniel Kaiser. She is also remembered by her siblings, Dennis Dvorak, Albert Skok, and Arthur Paeth, along with several nieces and nephews who will carry her memory forward.

She was preceded in death by her parents; her biological parents, Julia Brdar of Cleveland and Albert Lauerhass; grandson, Gabriel whom she now embraces once again in heaven and brothers, Paul Paeth and Elvin Skok of Cleveland.

Friends may visit with Nancy's family from 5-8 PM, Friday, June 6, 2025, at the Winkel Funeral Home, with a Rosary Service at 7:15 P.M. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 11:00 A.M., Saturday, June 7, 2025, at St. Margaret's of Scotland Catholic Church in Otsego, with Rev. Fr. Simon Manjooran, Rev. Fr. Louis Andersen and Rev. Fr. Donald Klingler officiating. Burial will take place at 2:00 P.M., at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Kalamazoo. Contributions in memory of Nancy may be directed to the Tunnels for Towers Foundation, St. Margaret's Catholic Church and the Boys and Girls Clubs of Greater Kalamazoo.

Clinton Coburn, 83

Clinton passed away, Friday, June 6, 2025, at Golden Orchards in Fennville. He was born April 6, 1942, in Handshoe, Kentucky, the son of Mickle and Vina (Vanderpool) Coburn. Clinton was a Martin High School graduate and was a machinist for Rockwell International and later a truck driver for Crytal Flash until his retirement. Clinton's true passion was hunting, especially for turkey, squirrel, coyotes, deer and rabbit. He also enjoyed raising and training hunting dogs. He loved sharing his hunting knowledge with others, guiding people on hunts and teaching others about dog handling. On September 1, 1961, in Otsego, he married Judith Newton who passed away in 2015. Surviving are his children, Julie Coburn and Troy Coburn both of



Clinton Coburn

Allegan; grandson, Justin (Crystal) Hall of Allegan; great-grandchildren, Alex (Haven) Larriuz, McKenzie (Tommy) Hatfield and Kane and Kynslee Hall; siblings, Larry Coburn of Martin, Gary (Sally) Coburn of Martin, Linda Ruhlig of Florida, Dorothy "Dot" Zugel of Allegan, Evelyn (Jim) May of Battle Creek and

Garnett (Max) Lewis of Richland along with several nieces and nephews. He was preceded in death by his parents, wife and siblings, Jim, Carlos and Clyde Coburn, Carol Kohdl, Gwen Mueller and Charlotte Hoffman. According to his wishes cremation has taken place. A celebration of life potluck will be held from 1-3 PM, Saturday, June 14, 2025, at the Martin United Methodist Church. The family would like to thank the staff at Wings of Hope Hospice and Golden Orchards Assisted Living for their care and compassion. Contributions in memory of Clinton may be directed to Wings of Hope Hospice. Messages of condolence may be posted at www.WinkelFuneralHome.com.

Robert "Bob" Faske, 92

His family mourns his passing and is grateful for his long, full life.

Robert "Bob" Faske was born on April 12, 1933, to Joseph and Minnie "Straub" Faske.

He died peacefully in Kalamazoo on Monday, June 2, 2025.

He is preceded in death by his brother Stanley "Bud" Faske, and sisters Dorothy Hileski and Lucille Calkins.

Surviving is a niece Sharry Eddy and a nephew Dr. Steve Calkins, grandnieces Tonya Nash, Challice (David) Dixon, grandnephews Josh Nash, Nathan (Lan) Eddy, Ph.D, Brian (Michelle) Calkins, Ryan Calkins, great grand nephew Jordan Nash, Chandler (Madi) Nash, Landan Nash, Connor Nash, Dr. Austin Dixon, Jason Hanks, Kulious Eddy, great grandniece



Robert "Bob" Faske

Arianna (Brandon) Dixon and great great grandnephew Archibald Nash.

Bob enjoyed a life filled with family, friends, his work at Rockwell International, and love of sports. At Western Michigan University, he enjoyed being a manager for the football team.

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School Boosters recognized him for his lifelong support of all sports at A.H.S.

A great thrill recently for Bob was the WMU hockey team winning the national championship on his 92nd birthday. He said it was one of the best birthday gifts of his entire life.

Bob's family would like to express sincere gratitude to the staff at Briarwood Assisted Living where he resided for the past 7 years. Their compassion, support, and exceptional care of Bob will not be forgotten.

There will be no visitation. Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated Monday, June 9th at 11:00 a.m. at Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Allegan.

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City Council moves forward with Rossman Park, discusses Sunset Lanes plans

By Gari Voss

Allegan’s city council angst over determining the approval of a myriad of financial requests showed during their June 9, 2025, meeting. The good news was that Mahan Park would be ready for Bridgefest. The struggle came when examining the number of purchase orders. The magic words became asset management. High priced pieces of equipment required replacement. The water and public service directors had 10-year plans for replacements, but it seemed that there was a barrage of requests all at once. Time was spent understanding how the department heads adjust plans when the equipment that should be replaced over a ten-year period needed immediate attention. In addition, the council approved the design and engineering phases for the Rossman Park Neighborhood and select city streets that required immediate attention.

PUBLIC HEARINGS
Agreement to Purchase and Develop Girl Scout Camp. The Public Hearing was held regarding the approval of a Purchase and Development Agreement between the City of Allegan and Allegan Development Co. on the purchase and development of city owned property commonly known as Girl Scout Property. The Public Hearing brought comments by Jeff Mills who lives on the pond behind the property. He had requested the ability to purchase the land, but did not receive a response. The question came as to how to get a due diligence to purchase property from the city. The recommendation by City Manager Joel Dye to postpone the decision on the agreement with the Allegan Development Co. was believed best, and the request was tabled until the June 23rd meeting since the City of Allegan’s and the Allegan Development Co.’s attorneys are still reviewing the purchase agreement. Councilmember Will Walker shared that he had heard that a couple of other groups were interested in purchasing the property. He had also received some suggestions regarding traffic through the existing neighborhood. One suggestion was to bring access into the area off Babylon Road, but there is a significant valley that would require an expensive bridge or a huge culvert. Walker requested a report on a tax plan for the development. If the sale agreement is approved, the developer will need approval of a Brownfield Redevelopment Authority (BRA) Plan for the

\$1,647,232 neighborhood. The developer does not get a tax break for the development.

CITY REPORTS
Fire District. Councilmember Will Walker shared that he would furnish the number of calls at the next meeting. The fire stations did sustain damage when a limb fell on a corner of the roof. That is being addressed with the insurance company. The group approved submitting a matching grant application with the DNR to share the cost of a Foam Inductor System and two Backpack Sprayers.

WATER UTILITIES
Directional Drill. The Council accepted an emergency purchase to repair the Water Utilities Directional Drill for an estimate of \$12,312.74. This tool is used for replacing water service around the city. It was important not to lose days for installation of lead-free pipes, so Dye approved obtaining a replacement at a rental rate that can be charged to the Booker Funds account. The Booker Fund grant must be used by August 31, 2025, or it will be lost.

Sewer line. The request to approve PO 26-0816 to Abonmarche in the amount of \$15,000 for design and construction engineering for the sewer lines on Grand Street and Water Street was approved. Water Director Doug Swiers explained that the water main on Grand Street had already been approved, thus it seemed frugal to replace the sewer line while replacing the other. By Village Market is a sink hole. The sewer line that runs along Water Street was televised because it runs under buildings to look for problems. Several compromised sections were found. This is a deep line behind the auto parts store, Hanse, Mugshots and Westside Auto before going under the old ACE store, M-222, and the Village Market parking lot. By lining this section with a quarter inch fiberglass liner, it would extend the life of the line for 80 to 100 years. If not repaired, the sewer will continue to deteriorate.

PUBLIC WORKS
Snowplow. The request to approve PO 26-00810 to Truck and Trailer Specialties in the amount of \$75,159 for the purchase of a Dump Body and Underbody Scraper passed. These pieces will be added to the previously approved cab and chassis. The complete truck cost can be applied to the MiDEAL program. This meets the program requirements. The dump box and underbody scraper are not expected



Sunset Lanes

for 14-16 months. Postponing the purchase may mean that tariffs would increase costs while saving \$34,000 before new emission laws take effect. There are funds available.
New mowers. The request to approve PO 26-0814 to Steensma Lawn and Power Equipment in the amount of \$32,716.05 for the purchase of three (3) zero turn mowers passed. This is in the capital improvement budget for FY2026. The three mowers that are currently being used require continual maintenance. By purchasing the new mowers now, less maintenance costs will be accrued, which means more time on the jobs requiring mowers. The old mowers will be declared as surplus and auctioned after the new mowers arrive.
Bobcat Skid Steer with Planer. The request to approve PO 26-0812 to Carleton Equipment Co. in the amount of \$66,186.66 for the purchase of a Bobcat Skid Steer and Planer Attachment passed. There will be an \$11,000 trade in. This is another piece purchased through the MiDEAL Program and the old Bobcat will be put in surplus and auctioned. Questions arose regarding why the heavy equipment was being replaced when it is still useable. Dye explained that this piece of non-motorized equipment is costing money in repairs plus man hours in the field. By selling the piece at this time, there is the ability to purchase a new Bobcat before tariff increases take effect. Plus, there is still resale value for the current Bobcat. There is money in the budget for replacing this piece of equipment. To meet the requirements for MiDEAL, this item went through a competitive pricing process.
Chipper. The request to approve PO 26-0815 to Morbark in the amount of \$59,192 for the purchase of a Chipper passed. The Chipper is another

non-motorized item for Public Services. Morbark, which is a Michigan company, was favored by the city workers even though Morbark did not submit the lowest bid. Morbark did bring a chipper for employees to try before the decision was made.
ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES
Payable & Payroll. The request to approve Accounts Payable and Payroll in the amount of \$681,810.74 and payroll in the amount of \$129,851.64 for a total disbursement of \$811,662.38 passed. A question arose regarding the cost of doing potholing to determine water lines.
Summer Arts Program. The request from the Allegan Area Arts Council to have the lower level of the Griswold Auditorium donated to them for the week of August 4 - August 8 for their 2025 Summer Art Camp was approved. There was a question regarding when the Arts Council may be able to pay for the use of the building since there is a fee policy for the use of the Griswold. The point was brought up that the Griswold is not normally used during the week so there will not be income lost by giving the facility for free.
Rossman Park. After a review of a financing plan to make infrastructure improvements to the Rossman Park Neighborhood and reconstruction of several Downtown Allegan Streets (Trowbridge, Chestnut and Walnut), the request was approved, the council voted to approve the financial plan. City Manager Dye explained that a plan is important to move forward if the water improvement grant is awarded to Allegan. The neighborhood would have better streets along with new water and sewage mains. Without the plan, if the grant is won, the

city would not be able to accept it because it would not be able to meet timelines for design and engineering.
The water and sewer pieces will require bonding that will cost about \$500,000 a year to repay. All streets involved require major infrastructure work.
Dye reminded the council that the city was fortunate to receive an additional stabilization fund of \$721,000. Using this amount and two other pools of money, street improvement can be accomplished without borrowing money.
The city would have to seek bonds for water and sewer work. This would mean an increase in water and sewer rates. If a grant of \$2.5 million from EGLE to assist with the water infrastructure is awarded, the bonding could be reduced.
The Council needs to act quickly since companies are already bidding on 2026 jobs. In addition, waiting would mean that costs would go up. Abonmarche would like to begin this coming week with the design phase, so all the planning would be in place by December 31, 2025.
Design & Construction Engineering for Rossman Park. The request to approve PO 26-0817 to Abonmarche in the amount of \$1,190,000 for design and construction engineering for the Rossman Park Neighborhood passed. The design and construction engineering phases are invoiced as the work is completed. The design phase is estimated to run from June through December 2025 with the construction phase moving forward in early 2026.
Design & Construction for City Streets. The request to approve PO 26-0818 to Abonmarche in the amount of \$475,000 for design and construction engineering for the Trowbridge, Chestnut

and Walnut Infrastructure Project passed.
Former Sunset Lane area. The Review and Discussion regarding a proposed right of way vacation and city property sale to make way for a new development on the site of the former Sunset Lanes Bowling Alley Property ensued. The new owner would like to raze the existing building and create a small strip mall. When Sherman was redirected, the old road was not vacated. The city would need to vacate the original right of way and a small triangle that is of no use to the city but could blend into some parking spaces for customers. This adjustment will not be decided upon until the June 23, 2025, meeting.
Ford Ranger. Dye requested that the Council authorize the purchase of the 2022 Ford Ranger from Enterprise in the amount of \$9,238.66. This vehicle is used primarily by the Code Enforcement team and has only about 10,000 miles. The previous program with Enterprise has been dropped. By purchasing it, the city will save \$979.90.
MERS Program change. Dye requested the approval of the closing of the Division 20 (Police Chief) MERS Defined Benefit Plan as of August 1, 2025, and transfer his benefits to the Division 20 (Police Chief) MERS Defined Contribution Plan. This is included in the Police Chief’s contract. The request passed.
COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE CITY MANAGER
Citizens asked what the city’s policy is regarding hiring local companies for city projects. There is wording in the city code that explains how and when companies are selected.
This Saturday is Bridgefest, and council members have signed up to work at the city booth. Several time slots need to be filled.
Mahan Park is close to completion and should be done for Bridgefest.
Rollin’ On the River kicks off this Friday, June 13th.

ROUNDTABLE
Walker was pleased that Mahan Park will be ready for Bridgefest.
Hanse asked how the rental inspections are progressing. Dye shared that some rewording needs to be addressed. The council had the plan tabled and needs to have it scheduled for a future meeting. Hanse did find a section in the city code referring to local vendors, especially when bids are similar.



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Two escape burning house trailer unharmed

Two occupants safely escaped a burning travel trailer in Casco Township of Allegan County early Sunday morning. South Haven Area Emergency Services responded at 4:45 a.m. to 68th Street near 102nd Avenue. The trailer was fully engulfed in fire upon arrival. Firefighters were able to prevent the blaze from spreading to other nearby structures. wSHAES EMS provided aid to the occupants on scene. The American Red Cross was requested to provide assistance. Photos courtesy South Haven Area Emergency Services

Schools receive \$10k from Village Market

Village Market of Allegan has donated \$10,000 from its Dollars for Education program. Dawson Elementary received \$3019.72, West Ward Elementary received \$1061.99 and LE White Middle School was awarded \$1049.47. Other area schools received the remainder of the \$10,000.

Pictured at right: Dawson secretary Deb surprised Ms. Woods, principal, with the check from Village Market



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Allegan County continues water tests at Saugatuck Dunes State Park in Laketown Township

After a three-quarter mile hike to the beach at Saugatuck Dunes State Park in Laketown Township, there’s no better feeling than taking off your sandals and wading into Lake Michigan.

“I love my job,” Tess Scheidel, sanitarian – groundwater specialist with the Allegan County Health Department, said on Tuesday afternoon, June 3, 2025, as she headed into the about 50-degrees water.

Scheidel dipped a small container into the waves, gathered a sample – she takes vials from three sites along the beach -- that will be taken to a lab in Kalamazoo and tested for E. coli. Some strains of E. coli bacteria can cause stomach cramps, diarrhea and vomiting. The contamination can come from wildlife, rain or agricultural runoff, failing septic systems or directly from swimmers.

If the samples surpass certain limits, the health department issues an advisory and notifies the public, recommending no contact with the water until tests come back with lower levels.

Sample results and



Tess Scheidel, sanitarian – groundwater specialist with the Allegan County Health Department, brings a water sample back from Lake Michigan at Saugatuck Dunes State Park, 6575 138 th Ave., on Tuesday, June 3, 2025.

advisories are posted on Beachguard that can be accessed through www.allegancounty.org under “Health.” On the menu on the left, scroll to “Environmental Health,” “Surface and Groundwater” and “Beaches.”

A larger site In recent years, the county did area testing at Laketown Township Beach, 6710

142 nd Ave., but decided to move to nearby Saugatuck Dunes State Park, 6575 138 th Ave., this season because the state park’s 2.5 miles of beach is larger and busier than the township’s 200 feet of lake frontage.

“A larger beach means a greater area of the shoreline is monitored, allowing our samples to provide greater representation of the lake and any potential sources

of contamination,” said Scheidel. “Additionally, because Saugatuck Dunes tends to be frequented more often by local residents and out-of-state visitors, routine monitoring for E. coli at Saugatuck Dunes would potentially serve a larger portion of beachgoers.”

Testing is done each Tuesday. The county health department tests the beach once a week from Memorial Day



Tess Scheidel, sanitarian – groundwater specialist with the Allegan County Health Department, collects water samples in lake Michigan at Saugatuck Dunes State Park, 6575 138 th Ave., on Tuesday, June 3, 2025.

through Labor Day. The department also tests Oval Beach in Saugatuck, Pier Cove Park Beach and West Side County Park Beach, both in Ganges Township. Inland lakes at Little John Lake County Park, Swan Lake Public Boat Launch, Gun Lake County Park and

Dumont Lake County Park are also tested. The testing is funded through grants from the Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy.

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Road targeted for fixing

By John Raffel
Correspondent

ALLEGAN — Exactly 13 years ago this week, Clarissa Green, 51, and her nephew Dean Talor, 17, were delivering newspapers along Lakeshore Drive in Saugatuck township during a torrential rain when the road beneath their car suddenly gave way and carried them to their deaths.

The proximity of the scenic Lakeshore Drive to Lake Michigan and the underlying sandy soil makes the roadway vulnerable to washouts,” former commissioner James Storey noted.

The Allegan County Road Commission has proposed a \$9.0 million project to move the road inland to prevent future washouts. The project would overcome a permanent cut in the road caused by a 1988 washout that stretches response times from local emergency service agencies to residents south of that washout.

Though lake levels have declined from the most recent washout in 2022, new erosion where Lakeshore Drive meets Wiley Road was noticed

this spring.

The road commission, Saugatuck township and the State of Michigan have all committed funds to the project, but the cost of the project exceeds their finances. The road commission has applied for a grant from the federal government to fix the deadly road. A response from Washington is anticipated within this year.



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Complete specifications and bid forms are available at the ACRC Office and on our website at www.alleganroads.org under Materials and Service Bids.

All bids must be submitted on forms furnished by the ACRC and sealed in envelopes with the name and address of the bidder, and the item bid upon clearly marked thereon.

No bid deposit will be required.

The ACRC reserves the right to reject any or all bids, to waive minor technicalities, and to accept the bid that is deemed to be in the best interest of the ACRC.

BOARD OF COUNTY ROAD COMMISSIONERS OF ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN

Larry Brown, Chairman
Rick Cain, Vice-Chairman
Harold Hamlin, Commissioner

Notice of Budget Hearing

The Allegan District Library Board will hold a public hearing on the proposed budget for fiscal year 2025-2026 during the Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 6:05pm. The meeting will be held in the Carnegie Room at the Allegan District Library, 331 Hubbard St, Allegan MI, 49010. **The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.** A copy of the proposed budget is available for public inspection upon request. Please call 269-673-4625 with questions.

TOWNSHIP OF TROWBRIDGE

COUNTY OF ALLEGAN, STATE OF MICHIGAN
NOTICE OF ADOPTION OF ORDINANCES

TO: THE RESIDENTS AND PROPERTY OWNERS OF TROWBRIDGE TOWNSHIP, ALLEGAN COUNTY, MICHIGAN, AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PERSONS:

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that the following is a summary of Ordinance No. 2025 - 2 which was adopted by the Trowbridge Township Board at a regular meeting held June 5, 2025.

ZONING ORDINANCE TEXT AMENDMENTS REGARDING ADULT USE AND MEDICAL MARIJUANA

SECTION I AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 3, DEFINITIONS. This section deletes definitions in Section 3.02 for adult use marijuana establishment and 3.14 for medical marijuana facility.

SECTION II AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 10, INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT, SECTION 10.03 SPECIAL USES. Section 10.03 is amended by deleting special land uses (K) medical marijuana facility and (L) adult use marijuana establishment.

SECTION III AMENDMENT TO CHAPTER 15, SPECIAL USES. Section 15.16 is amended to delete Medical Marijuana Facilities and Adult Use Marijuana Establishments as special land uses with requirements.

SECTION IV SEVERABILITY. The provisions of this ordinance are severable.

SECTION V EFFECTIVE DATE/REPEAL. This Ordinance shall take effect 8 days after publication after adoption. All ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith are hereby repealed.

PLEASE TAKE FURTHER NOTICE that a true copy of the Ordinance is on file in the Office of the Trowbridge Township Clerk at the address set forth below and that a copy of the Ordinance may be inspected, reviewed or purchased by contacting the undersigned during regular business hours on regular working days.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2025-2026 BUDGET

PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that on June 16, 2025, at 6:30 o'clock p.m., The Board of Education of Fennville Public Schools will hold a public hearing to consider the District's proposed 2025-2026 budget in the Board Room, located at 5 Memorial Drive, Fennville, Michigan.

The Board may not adopt its proposed 2025-2026 budget until after a public hearing. A copy of the proposed 2025-2026 budget, including the proposed property tax millage rate, is available for public inspection during normal business hours at 5 Memorial Drive, Fennville, Michigan.

The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of the hearing.

This notice is given by order of the Board of Education.

Toby Hutchins, Secretary

Lake Allegan Carp Derby nets dozens of invasive species

By Gari Voss

After a twelve year hiatus, the Lake Allegan Carp Derby returned. On Saturday, June 7, 2025, fisherfolk were given a window of 7-11am to catch as many carp as possible, and the fun began.

The event was a collaboration of the Allegan Conservation District, ODC Network, Michigan DNR, American Rivers, and Lake Allegan Association, Inc. While it brought fun to the competition, it also assisted in reducing carp which are a problematic invasive species in the great lakes area.

“We had around 25 registrants,” reported Lexie Kasper of the ODC Network. “It was a whole mix of people, men, women, young and older, but mostly local bowfishers.”

The day was beautiful. Some participants fished from boats while others stayed along the banks. It was “fierce” competition.

“We had a total of 9 carp caught,” added Kasper. “The largest was 35.4” long and 24 pounds, and the smallest being 18.6” long and 3.9 pounds.”

As with any great competition, the event was followed by a party on the Allegan Riverfront.

“The after party was great. We enjoyed live music from Matthew Turcich and the Gun River Band plus tabling activities from the organizing partners as well as the EPA,” shared Kasper. “Eric Parsons received the award for the largest carp, Terry Thomas caught the most carp with 2, and a member of the Carpe Diem Team received the Small Fry prize for the smallest carp.”

As for the response to the Carp Derby, “This was the first time this event had been held in 12 years,” punctuated Kasper. “We received great feedback from participants, so we’re excited to see what 2026



The Lake Allegan 2025 Carp Derby largest catch of the day was caught by Eric Parsons and came in at 35.4” long and 24 pounds. Photo: Lexie Kasper

brings.”

Great Lakes Landing Blitz

Kasper went on to explain, “Concurrently with the event, we had an AIS Landing Blitz. Boaters leaving the water could have their boat checked for aquatic invasive species and then cleaned and dried. Following the check, the “Clean, Drain, Dry” message was given that boaters should follow.”

Michigan’s 12th annual Aquatic Invasive Species (AIS) Landing Blitz official period is June27 – July 6, 2025, so the Lake Allegan Carp Derby gave a leg up on making sure boats are free of invasive species with instructions on how to prevent further invasions.

The Landing Blitz is a collaborative outreach campaign to raise awareness about preventing the

spread of aquatic invasive species (AIS) through recreational boating and related activities. This year’s event will be a Great Lakes Regional AIS Landing Blitz and include events not only in Michigan, but also events in each of the other Great Lakes states and Canadian provinces.

Local volunteer partners will deliver consistent messaging (“Clean, Drain, Dry, Disinfect”) about preventing the introduction and spread of AIS from the movement of watercraft and equipment between water bodies at both public and private boating access sites throughout the states and Canada.

By law in Michigan, it is imperative to remove all aquatic organisms, including plants, from watercraft and trailers before launching or transporting.



Each carp caught during Lake Allegan’s Carp Derby was carefully measured by Matt Diana of the Michigan DNR, and the measurement recorded by Maya Klanderman of the ODC Network. Photo: Lexie Kasper

That includes removing all drain plugs and draining all water from bilges, ballast tanks and live wells before transporting a watercraft away from the body of water. Finally, any unused bait must be disposed of in the trash, and not in the water.

The Michigan Department of Environment, Great Lakes, and Energy (EGLE) recommends that to protect Michigan water, boaters should follow the Clean – Wash – Dry – Disinfect steps. That is to clean all boats, trailers and equipment by removing plants, debris and mud before leaving a body of water, and properly disposing of trash. Boats and trailers should be washed before leaving the access

point or at home away from a body of water. Then dry boats and equipment before launching in a new body of water. Don’t forget to disinfect live wells and bilges with a solution of ½ cup of bleach to 5 gallons of water.

“Recreational boaters and anglers can play a key role in helping prevent the spread of invasive species,” said Kevin Walters, aquatic biologist with EGLE.

“Instead of spreading invasive species, we’re asking people to help spread the word about simple steps that can be taken when out recreating on Michigan’s waters.”

AIS Awareness Week is sponsored by EGLE’s Water Resources Division. For additional information on dates, times and locations, contact Kevin Walters at waltersk3@michigan.gov.

Notice of Public Hearing on Increasing Property Taxes

The Township Board of Salem Township, Allegan County will hold a public hearing on proposed increase of .2505 mills in the operating tax millage rate to be levied on property in: 2025

The hearing will be held on Tuesday, June 17, 2025 at 2:00 PM at Salem Township Hall, 3003 142nd Ave, Dorr MI 49323.

The date and location of the meeting to take action on the proposed additional millage will be announced at this public meeting.

If adopted, the proposed additional millage will increase operating revenues from ad valorem property taxes 3.75% over such revenues generated by levies permitted without holding a hearing. If the proposed additional millage rate is not approved, the operating revenue will increase by 2.09% over the preceding year’s operating revenue.

The taxing unit publishing this notice, and identified below, has complete authority to establish the number of mills to be levied from within its authorized millage rate.

This notice is published by:
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Wayland offers a full weekend of summer fun

Kick off your summer with Wayland’s signature annual celebration—Summerfest returns for three days of excitement, creativity, and neighborhood charm [face-book.com+15downtownwayland.com+15downtownwayland.com+15](https://www.facebook.com/15downtownwayland.com+15downtownwayland.com+15). From Friday evening through Sunday midday, the streets close to vehicle traffic and open wide to live music, local vendors, family-friendly activities, and community spirit.

Festival Highlights
Friday, June 13 (5 pm–10 pm)
Opening ceremony with 70+ artisan and food vendors along Main Street.

Live concert: Union Guns blasts out on the street stage (9–11 pm)
Comedy under the stars: a family-friendly set at Mini Park, hosted by McDuff’s (6–7:30 pm)
Saturday, June 14 (10 am–9 pm)
Firefighter Pancake Breakfast (7–10:30 am), proceeds go to Wayland Fire Department
Car Show at Wayland City Park (9 am–2 pm): from antiques to modern classics, with DJ, hot dogs, awards & door prizes
Pickleball & Cornhole tournaments (Pickleball starts at 9 am; Cornhole at 1 pm)
Kids’ zone: bounce houses, face

painting, mechanical unicorn, mini-golf, arcade trailer, bubble exhibit, princess visits
Live music lineup:
Little Miss & Mister Wayland ceremony (1 pm)
GR Just Us Band (2–4 pm)
SilentBark (5:30–7:30 pm)
Too Hype Crew headliner show (9–11 pm)
Sunday, June 15 (11 am–2 pm)
Service in the Streets: a community worship opportunity hosted by New Life Wayland
Final vendor booths and food specials to round out the weekend chill.

City of Fennville Meeting

Heard Kalamazoo River Greenway Presentation
Approved Sidewalk use permit from Iggy’s.
Approved Special Event Permits for Ice Cream Social and Sidewalk Sales.
Approved Change orders 1 and 2 for the Schools Leo Grant.
Talked about next steps for Goose Festival.

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED 2025-2026 BUDGET

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The property tax millage rate proposed to be levied to support the proposed budget will be a subject of this hearing.

This notice is given by the order of the Board of Education.

Jason Dykstra, Secretary

TOWNSHIP OF SALEM NOTICE OF BUDGET HEARING

The Salem Township Board will hold a public hearing on the continuation of the proposed township budget for fiscal year 2025-26 at Salem Township Hall, 3003 142nd Avenue, Burnips, Allegan County MI on Thursday, June 17, 2025 at 2:00 PM.

The property tax millage rates proposed to be levied to support the budget will be the subject of this hearing.

A copy of the budget is available for public inspection at the Township office as of June 10, 2025.

This notice is posted in compliance with PA 267 of 1975 as amended (Open Meeting Act). MCLA 41.72 a (2)(3) and the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA).

The Salem Township Board will provide necessary reasonable auxiliary aids and services, such as signers for the hearing impaired and audio tapes of printed materials being considered at the meeting, to individuals with disabilities at the meeting upon 6-day notice to the Salem Township Board.

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Renee Busscher, Salem Township Clerk

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Tigers capture first-ever regional crown

BY JASON WESSELDYK
SPORTS EDITOR

FENNVILLE—Allegan seniors Ireland Ashley and Alyssa Macherzak after literally played soccer together since birth.

It just feels that way.

“Me and Alyssa have played together our whole careers, basically since we were babies,” Ashley said. “So we know each other very well and have very good chemistry.”

That chemistry was on full display about 12 minutes into

the second half of Allegan’s Division 3 regional final against Covenant Christian on Thursday, June 5.

That’s when Macherzak took possession of the ball at midfield and found a streaking Ashley, who converted on the scoring opportunity to snap a scoreless tie.

“When (Macherzak) got the ball, we both saw the gap and we gave each other that look,” Ashley said. “As soon as she passed it, I knew we were golden. I saw the goalie coming out, I saw the open

corner and I just knew what to do and I did it.”

The Tigers went on to post the 2-0 win, securing their first-ever regional title in the process.

“I looked at our (playoff) bracket before the season and I saw there was no Unity (Christian) and no South Christian, which are the teams that have knocked us out the last five seasons,” Allegan coach Paul Legge said. “So, I thought if we could pull it all together by the end of the season, we could go to

a state final. Now it’s happening.”

The postseason run by the Tigers is even more special for Legge because he announced before the season that we would be retiring from coaching following the season. This is his 25th year at the high school level, with the past eight of those at Allegan.

“Every time we play now, I’m thinking it could be my last game,” said Legge, who also led the Tigers to a district title in 2019. “But we’re here, and I’m just going to live in the moment and enjoy this ride as long as it lasts.”

This is also the last season for the team’s seven seniors.

“This is everything I’ve worked for my whole entire life,” Ashley said. “It means the world to me and I’m so grateful that I’ve gotten to play on this team and be around this awesome people.”

And Legge is grateful to have players like Ashley on the roster.

“Anytime I see Ireland cut loose down the line, I think the goalie’s in trouble,” he said. “And it worked out. She didn’t have a ton of chances, but it was very timely and the momentum swing from that goal was huge.”

In addition to giving Allegan the lead and the momentum, the goal also was of personal significance to Ashley. It was her 29th of the season, tying the school record.

“It was really hard this whole game,” Ashley said. “It was one of the hardest games I’ve played in my whole life. But our team has been together for years and years and years, so I knew as soon as we got that first goal our energy was going to explode and our energy was going to be super high.”

With 12:47 left to play, it was Macherzak’s turn to score, as she took a direct kick



Bailey Meade (23) heads the ball for Allegan. (Photo by Jason Wesseldyk)



Allegan’s Alyssa Macherzak (22) assisted on one goal and scored the other in her team’s win in the regional finals. (Photo by Jason Wesseldyk)

and buried it into the upper right corner of the goal.

“In 2019 when we won districts the last time, we had a set-piece goal just like that for the game-winner,” Legge said. “So, it was all these flashbacks.”

Allegan was scheduled to face Grand Rapids Catholic Central in a Division 3 state semifinal match on Tuesday, June 10. The winner will face either Warren Regina or Almont for the state championship.

The state title game is slated for Friday, June 13, at 1 p.m. at Michigan State University.



Allegan coach Paul Legge reacts after his team clinched a regional title. (Photo by Jason Wesseldyk)

Plainwell's Rayman finishes fifth at D2 Boys Golf State Finals

BY JASON WESSELDYK
SPORTS EDITOR

BATTLE CREEK—I can compete with the best players in the state.

That was the biggest take away for Plainwell junior Drew Rayman following his performance at the Division 2 Boy Golf State Finals on Friday, June 6, and Saturday, June 7, at Bedford Valley Golf Course.

Rayman shot a first-round score of 71 before backing that up by carding a 72 for round two. That two-round total of 143 put Rayman in a tie for fifth place, earning him All-State accolades in the process.

“(Playing at the State Finals) was a great experience that I’ll remember for a while,” Rayman said. “I put myself in a position to compete and have a chance to win the tournament.”

“Knowing I was playing and representing Plainwell made it more important to me than it already was.”

After the opening round on Friday, Rayman sat in a three-way tie for fourth place, just two strokes behind co-leaders and Grand Rapids Christian teammates Cooper Reitsma and Sawyer O’Grady. East Grand Rapids’ JP Levan was third with a 70.

Chelsea’s Brian Tillman, who was tied with Rayman after round one, shot a 68 on the second round to win the individual state championship at 139.

Reitsma was second at 140, while O’Grady and Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood’s Andrew Chang tied for

third at 141. Henry Delzer of Bloomfield Hills Cranbrook Kingswood tied Rayman at 143.

Wayland’s Theo Oddy—who, like Rayman, qualified for the State Finals as an individual based on his performance at regionals—finished with a two-round total of 165. He shot 80 for round one and 85 for round two.

According to Rayman, staying mentally strong was the key for his success.

“I’m very happy with how I stayed in it and didn’t let bad holes or breaks affect me mentally,” he said. “I put myself in a great position in the first round to really go at it the next day and not let up. There are plenty of bad shots and tough breaks that I had throughout the weekend, and I always found a way to bounce back.”

“I kept myself in it for both days and never lost focus, which I’m very satisfied with. I came up just short of winning, but I’m very grateful to finish in the top five.”

Throughout the tournament, Rayman reminded himself that he didn’t have to try to do too much.

“I like to think that pars are good,” he said. “A lot of people think that you need to play for birdie because that’s how you’re going to win, but if you focus on getting pars then you’ll get some birdies to fall.”

Rayman also focused on keeping the ball in the fairway as much as possible.

“The rough at Bedford has a tendency to give many kids troubles and make the game much more difficult,” he said. “I was able to attack pins and go on some big runs because I kept the ball in the fairway.”



Drew Rayman shows off the All-State medal he won at the Division 2 State Finals. (Photo provided)



Drew Rayman hits a drive during the Division 2 State Finals. (Photo provided)

This summer, Rayman plans to enter some bigger tournaments to test himself against the best competition he can. Doing so will, he hopes, help prepare him for a run at a state championship next year.

“There’s nobody in the field I can’t compete with,” Rayman said. “Division 2 golf has some amazing golfers and is probably the most competitive and intimidating field there is for high school golf.”

“I proved to myself that I can compete with any of those kids in any tournament and win a state title in the future. And that’s my goal, to win a state title for Plainwell.”

ATHLETE of the WEEK

Peyton Johnson
Otsego
Girls Soccer

One of the most successful seasons in the history of the Otsego girls soccer program came to an end when the Bulldogs dropped a 1-0 overtime decision to Stevensville-Lakeshore in a regional semifinal.

Before that loss, though, Otsego bested Gull Lake 1-0 in a district final. And it was sophomore Peyton Johnson who accounted for the Bulldogs’ lone goal in that game off an assist from Constantine Taylor.

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Hamilton softball drops regional final to Unity Christian

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

KENTWOOD—For the second-straight season, the Hamilton softball team advanced to a Division 2 regional title game and squared off with Hudsonville Unity Christian.

And for a second-straight season, the Hawkeyes were unable to get past the second-ranked Crusaders.

This year, Hamilton fell behind early and couldn't recover in suffering the 12-0 loss in six innings.

A season ago, the score was 5-4 in favor of Unity Christian in a game that went to extra innings.

This is the third consecutive year Hamilton has advanced to the regional finals. In 2023, the Hawkeyes faced Vicksburg for a regional championship and fell 4-1.

"This is the third year in a row," Hamilton coach Mark Behnke said. "Every team is different and this team faced its adversity. These are tough people and will be tough in their lives after softball."

"The last game will not be the defining moment of our season."

Hamilton finished with a record of 28-10. The Hawkeyes have posted a 121-31 mark the past four years.

"Unity Christian is really, really good," Behnke said. "To beat them, you will have to play your best game and hope they are off their game. I would not be surprised if they won a state championship."

Kianna Vork started in the pitcher's circle for Hamilton against Unity Christian, which plated six runs in the first inning to set the tone for the game.

The Hawkeyes earned a spot in the regional final thanks to a 3-2 win over Sparta in one of two regional semifinal contests.

That game was a nail-biter, with the score deadlocked at 2-2 through six innings. But in the top of the seventh, Vork laced a single to drive in Kelsey Mersman with what proved to be the game-winning run.

Mersman had reached base via a double.

The Hawkeyes scored the game-winner in the top of the seventh inning to earn the semifinal win.

"It was exciting to be in that situation with it all on the line and see everything come together," Behnke said. "We had Vork up and she came through."

Vork is one of the two seniors on the Hamilton roster. The other is Taylor "Oosterink, who smacked a 2-run homer in the top of the fifth inning to erase what had been a 1-0 deficit.

But Sparta pushed a run across the plate in the bottom of the frame to knot the score at 2-2 and set up the seventh-inning heroics from Vork.

Mersman was the starting pitcher for Hamilton. She allowed two runs in four-plus innings of work.

Bella Goetsch entered the game in relief and tossed three innings of scoreless ball to collect the win.



Taylor Oosterink hit a 2-run home run for Hamilton in a regional semifinal. (File photo)

Saugatuck golf places eighth at D4 Finals

By Jason Wesseldyk
Sports Editor

BIG RAPIDS—It was another top-10 finish for the Saugatuck boys golf team at the Division 4 State Finals on Friday, June 6, and Saturday, June 7.

Competing at Katke Golf Course on the campus of Ferris State University, the Trailblazers carded a two-round total of 677 to finish eighth in the 18-team field.

Saugatuck placed seventh at the State Finals last season after finishing 12th two years ago.

Clarkston Everest Collegiate won the state title with a 631, followed by Calvin

Christian (650) and Hackett Catholic (651).

Saugatuck shot a 339 on day one, putting the Trailblazers in eighth place. They maintained that position with a 338 on day two.

Freshman Grant Schrottenboer led the way for Saugatuck with a 163 (84-79), while senior Cameron Lewis was close behind at 165 (80-85). Schrottenboer and Lewis finished 19th and 24th, respectively.

Juniors Noah Conklin (85-85—170) and Nickolas Mohr (90-89—179) also scored for Saugatuck.

Sophomore Walton Bos (109-100—209) was the Trailblazers' other competitor.



The Saugatuck boys golf team finished in the top 10 at the D4 State Finals for a second straight year. (Photo provided)



Otsego girls soccer suffers regional loss

A strong defensive unit has been the calling card for the girls soccer team throughout the season.

Just how good has the Bulldogs' defense been?

Consider this: Through its first 17 games of the season, Otsego had 12 shutouts with the Bulldogs allowing just one goal in the other five games as they amassed a record of 16-0-1. That included a pair of 1-0 wins over Middleville in a Division 2 district semifinal and Gull Lake in a district final to propel Otsego into regionals.

And in its regional semifinal showdown with Stevensville-Lakeshore on Tuesday, June 3, that strong defense from Otsego was once again on display.

The Bulldogs didn't allow a goal through 80 minutes of regulation play.

That was the good news for Otsego. The bad news? The Bulldogs were also unable to score, sending the game to two 10-minute overtime sessions.

And S-L was able to score a goal in OT to hand Otsego the 1-0 loss to end its season at 16-1-1.

Pictured is senior Reagan Engbers. (Photo by Tim Beason)

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SPORTS

Wayland falls to Paw Paw in regional title contest

BY JASON WESSELDYK
SPORTS EDITOR

STEVENSVILLE—This season was a special one for the Wayland softball team, as it marked the 50th year of the program’s existence.

But all good things must eventually come to an end. And for the Wildcats, that end came in a Division 2 regional final against Wolverine Conference champion Paw Paw on Saturday, June 7.

After besting South Haven 7-0 in a regional semifinal, Wayland simply couldn’t get the bats going against the Red Wolves in dropping the 6-2 decision.

Wayland and Paw Paw both ended the regular season as Hon-

orable Mention selections in the Division 2 state rankings.

“That’s a good team,” longtime Wayland coach Cheri Ritz said of Paw Paw. “They’re well-coached. They play hard. And they can really hit the ball.”

The Red Wolves ability to hit could be seen by the fact that they held an 11-5 advantage over the Wildcats in terms of hits.

Maddie Ludema and Shelby VanHouten each accounted for two of Wayland’s hits, with all of them going for extra bases.

Ludema—who also pitched and suffered the loss—went 2-for-3 with a solo home run and a double. The double added to her school record in that category.

VanHouten, meanwhile, went

2-for-3 with a pair of doubles. She also collected three hits in the South Haven game to give her a total of five for the day from the leadoff spot in the batting order.

“Shelby had a great day at the plate,” Ritz said. “There’s a reason we have her at the top of the order. She usually finds a way to get on base for us.”

Harmony Laker, who set the school record for home runs earlier this season, had a double in three at-bats to provide the remaining Wayland hit.

In the pitcher’s circle, Ludema allowed the 11 hits to go with three strikeouts.

“Maddie threw the ball pretty well, I thought,” Ritz said. “But like I said, Paw Paw can really hit the ball and they did.

“The flip side of that is we didn’t have many hits. We just couldn’t seem to really get the bats going like we usually do.”

The regional title was the first in school history for Paw Paw.

“Our girls just don’t let the moment get too big for them,” Paw Paw coach Mike Mottl said. “Our very first playoff game against Otsego, it went into extra innings but we never felt like we were on the brink of losing.

“For (Elizabeth Vanderburg) to hit one over the fence to end that game, it was just a poetic way to finish it. That’s been a microcosm to our season. If we make mistakes, they get right back into it and they don’t allow it to beat them down, and they never give up.”

In the win over South Haven, four Wildcats collected multiple hits. That included a 3-for-5 effort from VanHouten, who connected for a double and two singles.

Ludema (2-for-3 with an RBI), Laker (2-for-4 with a double and two RBI) and Mackenzie Kositzky (2-for-4 with an RBI) joined VanHouten with multiple hits, while Clara Dutkiewicz added a single.

Rae Stallard went 1-for-1 with a



Harmony Laker takes a swing for Wayland in a recent game. (Photo provided)



Harmony Laker takes a swing for Wayland in a recent game. (Photo provided)

home run, a walk, a hit by pitch and a sacrifice bunt.

“Rae had a great game for us,” Ritz said. “She helped us in a lot of different ways.”

Laker pitched, shutting out the South Haven bats on four hits. She struck out three.

“Harmony didn’t strike out a ton of batters, but she didn’t give up a lot of solid contact, either,” Ritz said. “She did a good job of changing speeds and moving the ball around to keep them off balance.”

While disappointed with the outcome of the regional title game, Ritz had nothing but praise for what her team accomplished this season.

The Wildcats won yet another conference title and district championship.

“Team 50 was a great year,” Ritz said. “This was a great team. It’s always sad to see it end, but I had such a great time with this group. I would have loved for it to go a little longer, but I wouldn’t trade a minute that I had with this team.”

Hopkins sees season end with regional loss to Gull Lake

BY JASON WESSELDYK
SPORTS EDITOR

BATTLE CREEK—An early deficit proved to be too much for the Hopkins baseball team to overcome in its Division 2 regional semifinal contest with Gull Lake.

In a battle of state-ranked opponents, the No. 5 Blue Devils plated five runs in the

top of the first inning and never looked back as No. 17 Hopkins suffered the 10-2 season-ending loss.

The Vikings finished the year with a 29-8 record.

Longtime Hopkins coach Pat O’Dell was pleased with the effort he received from his team despite the final score.

“We didn’t start the game

like we wanted to, but we never gave up,” he said. “The guys kept battling until the last out.”

Gull Lake had traffic on the base paths throughout the game, putting pressure on the Hopkins defense. In addition to racking up 12 hits, the Blue Devils drew seven walks and the Vikings committed three errors.

All of the errors and four of Gull Lake’s hits came in the first inning, leading to the Blue Devils’ five-run uprising.

“They are a great team,” O’Dell said of Gull Lake. “And when you have three errors on top of their four hits, it’s not the way anyone wants to start. We just couldn’t recover from that.”

Gull Lake plated two more runs in the top of the third, increasing its advantage to 7-0.

Hopkins scored its first run in the bottom of the third and pushing another run across the plate two innings later, making the score 8-2 at that point.

But the Vikings would get no closer, as the Blue Devils tacked on a pair of insurance runs in the top of the seventh inning.

Cody Benting had two of Hopkins’ six hits, with one of those going for a double. He also had an RBI.

Christian Smigiel was one of four Vikings to collect one hit. He scored both runs for



Christian Smigiel releases a pitch for Hopkins during a recent game. Smigiel pitched the final three innings of the Vikings’ regional game. (Photo provided)

his team.

Kellen Ford, Mike Woolam and Aaron Arnsman accounted for the Vikings’ other hits.

Trent Smith drew the starting assignment on the

mound and took the loss, surrendering seven runs on 10 hits with two walks and two strikeouts in 2.2 innings. Ford allowed one run with three walks and three strikeouts in 1.1 innings,

while Smigiel worked the final three frames.

“It was a great season,” O’Dell said. “It’s always tough when it’s over, but I’ve really enjoyed coaching this team all year.”



Hopkins’ Kellen Ford prepares to deliver a pitch. (Photo provided)



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FOR THE RECORD

PEEK AT THE PAST

From the pages of The Allegan News and The Allegan County News and Gazette:

June 12, 1950
Sports group to boycott Saugatuck: A unanimous boycott of Saugatuck as a resort by more than 3,000 members of the Kent County Conservation League was announced last week.

The boycott was the direct result of the special election in which Saugatuck residents votes, 206-144, against a \$300,000 revenue bond issue to finance a sanitary sewer system and sewage disposal plant.

The Conservation League's announcement said the "citizens of Saugatuck, one of Michigan's leading resort communities, had refused to make any attempt to purify the fifth which you are dumping into the Kalamazoo River. It is a mystery to us how a resort community can openly flout the rules of common decency and health, not only of themselves, but of the thousands of persons they invite into the community."

June 12, 1975
Otsego begins bike license project: The City of Otsego has launched a bicycle licensing program designed to thwart

the rising rate of bike theft.

Under the auspices of the Otsego Police Department and Chief Elton Goswick, the program—voluntary at this moment—includes a bicycle safety class sponsored by the Otsego Rotary Club in conjunction with 4-H clubs and taught by Goswick.

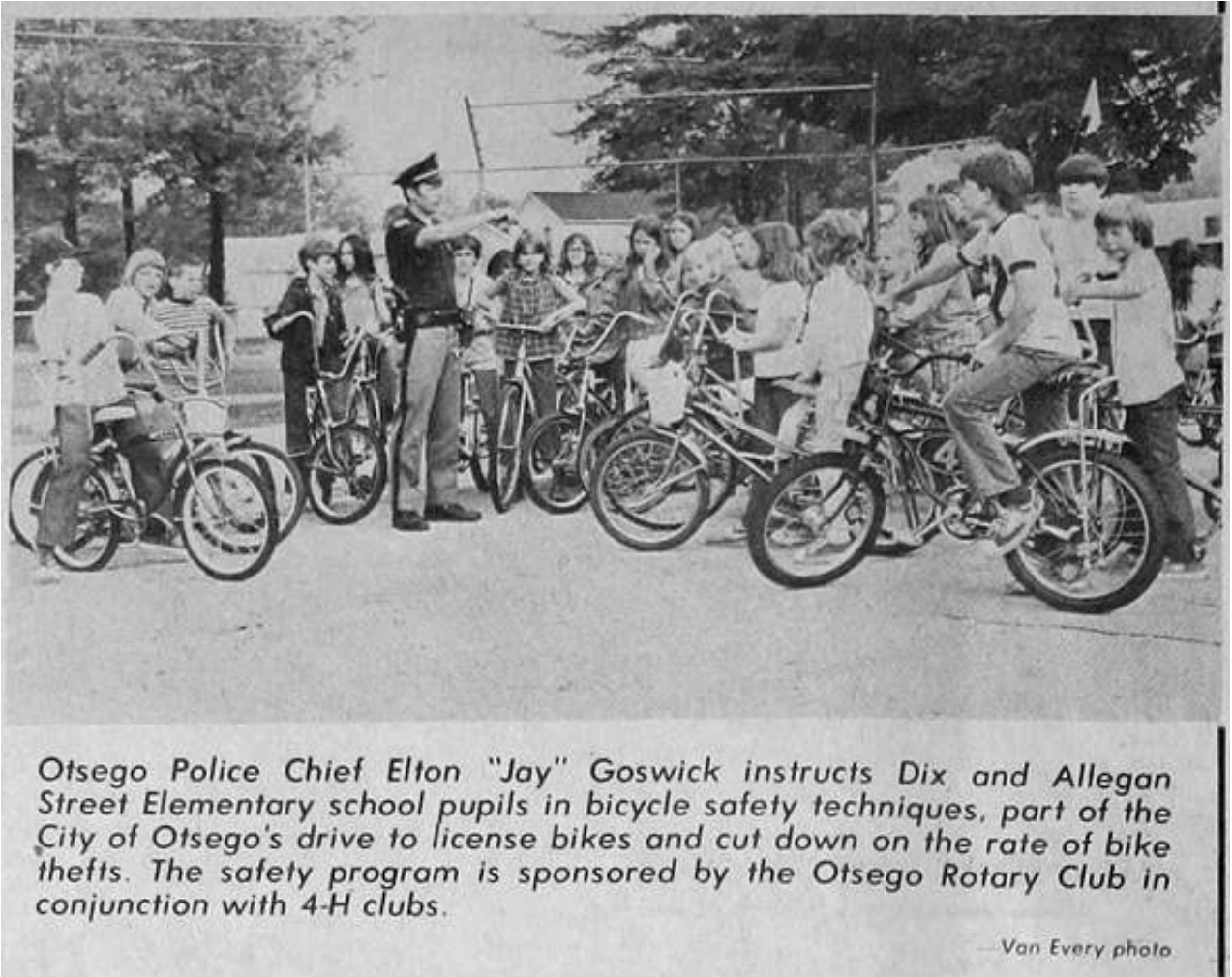
Goswick said the licenses are similar to those on Michigan vehicle license plates and have to be chipped off to be removed. The tags, printed by the City of Otsego, are red with black lettering and have validation dates and identification numbers.

The tags cost 50 cents each for three years.

June 15, 2000
Coaching brings added dimension to father/child relationship: The image is one that is familiar to most people, be it from personal experience or perhaps an old "Leave It To Beaver" episode.

A child waits eagerly for his or her father to get home from work. After what seems like an eternity, the father finally walks through the door. The child races to their room and re-emerges with baseball and glove in hand, ready to "have a catch" with dad.

The father, though tired, can't pass up the opportunity to spend



some time with the child and out they go to throw around the ball.

This image helps demonstrate just how closely associated athletics are with fathers and their children.

And for some area fathers, that tie includes not only playing catch with their child in the backyard, but also serving as their child's high school coach. And with

Father's Day rapidly approaching, there's not better time to explore what this experience has meant to some of these men.

Among the fathers who fit into this category are Steve Deurloo of Allegan, Don Joffrion of Otsego, Jim Newell of Hopkins, Garry Snyder of Plainwell and Dennis Meyers and Lowell Winne of Fennville.

"The biggest positive to coaching is spending time with my daughter that I couldn't spend with her otherwise and being able to watch her grow up and develop," said Deurloo, who is the assistant coach of daughter Sadie's softball team. "Just being able to be with her is great. I get the opportunity to watch her do what she loves doing, which I just love."

June 11, 2020
Otsego's Rayman named top first-year female athlete at LSSU: It didn't take long for Lake Superior State University women's head basketball coach Bandon Lokken to realize there was something special about Mattison Rayman.

"It started with her competitiveness in practices," Lokken said of Rayman, the 2019 Otsego High School graduate. "Right away in the preseason, we saw Matti pushing to win sprints and competing to win drills."

"As a coach, it's so much fun to work with competitive athletes such as Matti. She brought that energy to the gym right away."

It was that competitiveness and energy that helped Rayman earn the 2019-20 Terry McDermott Award as the LSSU athletic department's top first-year female athlete.

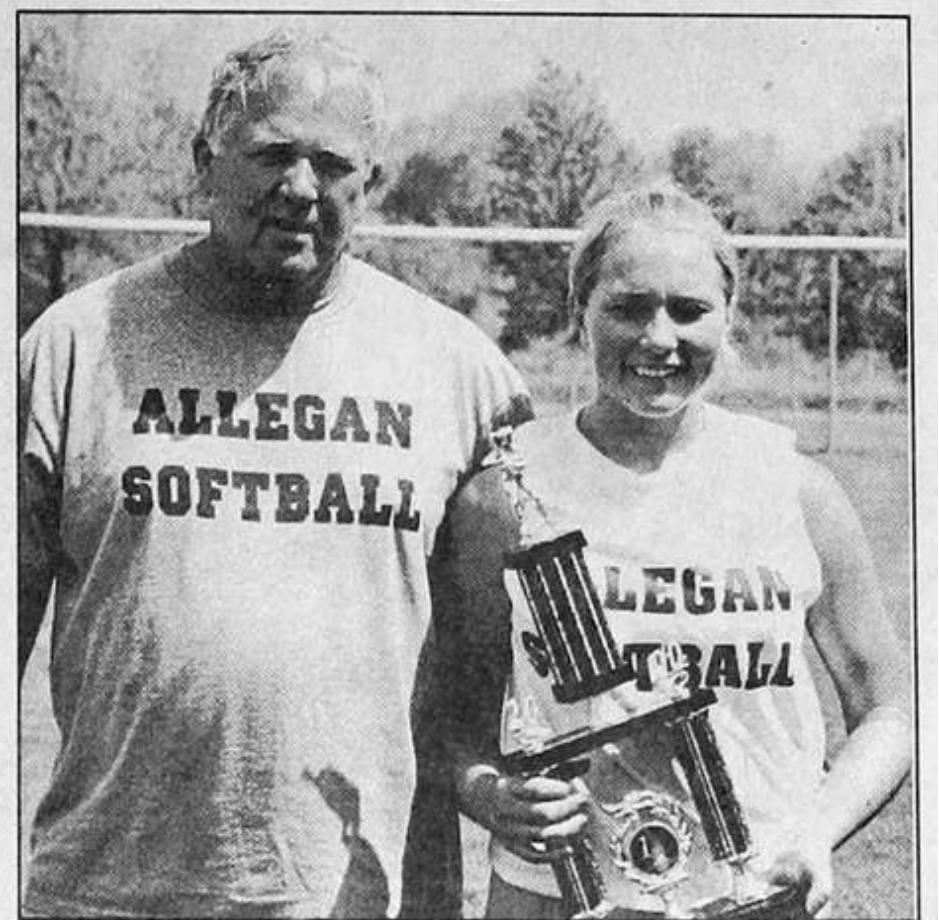
"I'm very honored and grateful to have been selected for this award," Rayman said. "I'm so thankful to everyone who has helped me this year."

The Terry McDermott Award is based on votes of the LSSU head coaches from the various schools offered by

the school. It is given annually to "the first-year female varsity letter winner at LSSU who, in the opinion of coaches and the Athletic Awards Committee, exhibits outstanding dedication, determination, self-sacrifice and inspiration to Laker athletics."

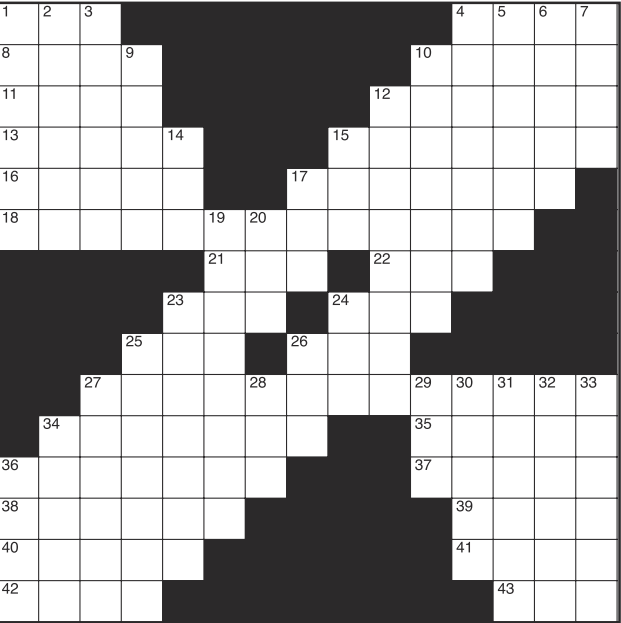
Rayman served notice early that she wasn't intimidated by playing at the collegiate level, scoring 22 points and snagging 17 rebounds in an exhibition game against Rochester on Oct. 29.

—Compiled by Jason Wesseldyk



Steve Deurloo, with daughter Sadie, is one of the area fathers who serve as a coach of their child's high school athletic team. In this case, Deurloo is the assistant varsity softball coach at Allegan. (Photo provided)

CROSSWORD



CLUES ACROSS

- 1. Racquet sports association
- 4. Places to sleep
- 8. Native American tribe
- 10. Small platforms
- 11. Egg shape
- 12. Running out
- 13. French painter
- 15. Some are 'of the Caribbean'
- 16. Painful intestinal problem
- 17. More irritated
- 18. Prove yourself
- 21. Catch
- 22. Supplement with difficulty
- 23. American automotive

giant

- 24. Form of 'to be'
- 25. Boxing's GOAT
- 26. Peyton's little brother
- 27. Eli's big brother
- 34. Capable of producing
- 35. Reproductive structures in fungi
- 36. Allowed to go forward
- 37. Smiles
- 38. Arteries
- 39. VVV
- 40. Win a series without losing a game
- 41. This (Spanish)
- 42. Opposites of beginnings
- 43. Germanic mythological god

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Consisting of uncombined atoms
- 2. Island country
- 3. Heavenly body
- 4. Caribbean island
- 5. Copyread
- 6. A place to eat
- 7. Drops down
- 9. Native group of Alaska
- 10. Engage in
- 12. 'Desperate Housewives' lane
- 14. Thyroid-stimulating hormone
- 15. Foot (Latin)
- 17. A place to bathe
- 19. Animosities
- 20. Partner to cheese

- 23. Venus __, plant
- 24. A donation
- 25. Pokes holes in the ground
- 26. Midway between northeast and east
- 27. Looked into
- 28. Not young
- 29. Annoy constantly
- 30. Something one can strike
- 31. Most glacial
- 32. Ten less than one hundred
- 33. Idle talker
- 34. Has moved through the air
- 36. Container for shipping

■ see Solution, Page B7

MARRIAGES

The following people applied for a marriage license between May 27 and June 4:

JOEL MARK DEYOUNG, Wayland, and TARA LYNNE YOUSEF, Kalamazoo

HECTOR APREZA VIDAL, Fennville, and MICHELLE ENNETTE KLEEVES KING, Fennville

KEITH WAYNE NEELY, Fennville, and AMY NICOLE BROWN, Fennville

HANNAH MARGARET ANTKOVIK, Allegan, and KALEB CORDELL SMITH, Allegan

MAKENNA SUE RAMSEY, Fennville, and ANDREW DAVID HELDER, Hamilton

KEITH MICHAEL EDWARD RICE, Allegan, and VANESSA ROSE BERRY, Allegan

HEATHER MARIE BUTCHER, Wayland, and FRANK JOSEPH BRITT, Wayland

ISABELLA MARIE CHARON, Hamilton, and WILSON SCOTT GOODPASTER, Hamilton

BRANDON LLOYD GIGUERE, Dorr, and JESSICA MAELYNNE AKEY, Dorr

RALYE MARIE HARTMAN, Otsego, and ANDREW LEE JAGER, Otsego

GUNNER MICHAEL EVANS, Allegan, and KENSEY LEANNE PLUMLEY, Allegan

PETER JOHN SPANS, Allegan, and ATHENA RENAE

JOHNSON, Allegan

CURSTON MAKELA DAVIS, Allegan, and DAX KENNETH WEYRICK, Allegan

KRISTA ROSE VANDENBERG, Plainwell, and CODY ALAN ROCKAFELLOW, Plainwell

KAELYN HAZEL PEPPER, Hamilton, and JACK HENRY MCCANN, Hamilton

CODY DAVID BRINKS, Hamilton, and RAEGHEN ANNE BEHNKE, Saugatuck

PAYTON ELISE HENCKEL, Plainwell, and HUNTER RICHARD LUCAS, Plainwell

KELSI RAY KAYLOR, Allegan, and DONALD OLIVARRI KRIDLER, Allegan

NICHOLAS ANDRE BOBST, Fennville, and EMILY LOUISE COSSEY, Fennville

SPENCER MICHAEL SCHAENDORF, Hopkins, and NIKKI LEEANN SAKON, Dorr

SOLOMON ACE BRENNER, Hamilton, and AUTUMN JOY VANDERKOOI, Hamilton

KAITLYN JANAE HARRIS, Allegan, and LOGAN HOWARD BEARDSLEY, Allegan

RANDY THOMAS HUDON JR., Allegan, and MELANIE ROSE HERBERT, Otsego

CIERA LINDSEY KUIPHOF, Grand Rapids, and ZACHARY JON HIRDES, Hopkins

HUNTER RYAN KOSTER, Allegan, and APRIL MICHELE MEHL, Allegan

RYLIN NICOLE DIEKEMA, Fennville, and KEATON ELIOTT MUDD, Fennville

DEATHS

May 5, 2025
JOHN C SHERMAN JR, 80, Allegan Twp.

May 16, 2025
JOHNNY ALAN RISNER, 52, Gun Plain Twp.

May 21, 2025
BRENT ELLIS MCCORMICK, 68, Allegan

May 22, 2025
ROLAND LESTER DOWIS, 91, Plainwell

May 23, 2025
SHANNON MARIE JOHNSON, 46, Trowbridge Twp.

May 29, 2025
GARY ALAN WALTERS, 71, Valley Twp.

May 24, 2025
MARY ANNA BONARDELLI, 73,

Fillmore Twp.

KENNETH EUGENE MCCREARY, 88, Allegan Twp.

May 25, 2025
DEAN MARTIN COMPAGNER, 65, Laketown Twp.

May 26, 2025
WAYNE EDWARD LAPHAM, 73, Hopkins Twp.

May 27, 2025
ALICIA ARACENA, 97, Holland

May 29, 2025
ROGER TOLMAN SEELYE JR, 68, Wayland

May 28, 2025
KENT KONING, 53, Salem Twp.

May 29, 2025
JANET LYNN NEUMAN, 74, Wayland

SHERMAN ROSS, 52, Plainwell

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PUBLIC NOTICES

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check made payable to the Secretary of HUD. If the high bidder closes the sale prior to the expiration of any extension period, the unused portion of the extension fee shall be applied toward the amount due. If the high bidder is unable to close the sale within the required period, or within any extensions of time granted by the Secretary, the high bidder may be required to forfeit the case deposit or, at the election of the foreclosure commissioner after the consultation with the HUD representative, will be liable to HUD for any costs incurred as a result of such failure. The Commissioner may, at the direction of the HUD representative, offer the property to the second highest bidder for an amount equal to the highest price offered by that bidder. There is no right of redemption, or right of possession based upon a right of redemption, in the mortgagor or others subsequent to a foreclosure completed pursuant to the Act. Therefore, the Foreclosure Commissioner will issue a Deed to the purchaser(s) upon receipt of the entire purchase price in accordance with the terms of the sale as provided herein. HUD does not guarantee that the property will be vacant. The scheduled foreclosure sale shall be cancelled or adjourned if it is established, by documented written application of the mortgagor to the Foreclosure Commissioner not less than 3 days before the date of sale, or otherwise, that the default or defaults upon which the foreclosure is based did not exist at the time of service of this notice of default and foreclosure sale, or all amounts due under the mortgage agreement are tendered to the Foreclosure Commissioner, in the form of a certified or cashier's check payable to the Secretary of HUD, before public auction of the property is completed. Payment of the entire outstanding balance of the mortgage debt is required to the cure the default. The "outstanding balance" includes amounts that would be due under the mortgage agreement if the debt under the mortgage had not been accelerated, advertising costs, posting costs and postage expenses incurred in giving notice, mileage by the most reasonable road distance for posting notices, reasonable and customary costs incurred for title and lien record searches, the necessary out-of-pocket costs incurred by the Foreclosure Commissioner for recorded documents, a commission for the Foreclosure and all other costs incurred in connection with the foreclosure prior to sale. Tender of payment be certified or cashier's check or applicable for cancellation of the foreclosure sale shall be submitted to the address of the Foreclosure Commissioner provided below. Date: 06/02/2025 Neil Sherman Foreclosure Commissioner for the United States Secretary of Housing and Urban Development 23938 Research Dr Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400 STATE OF MICHIGAN COUNTY OF OAKLAND ss. On this 06/02/2025, before me, a Notary Public in and for said County of Oakland, came Neil Sherman of Schneiderman & Sherman P.C., the Foreclosure Commissioner, known

to me to be the individual described in and who executed the above conveyance, and who acknowledged that he/ she executed the same to be his/her free act and deed as such. Christina Hedke, Notary Public Wayne County, Michigan My Commission Expires: 06/21/2025 Acting in Oakland County, Michigan Drafted by and when recorded return to: Erica Nichols (P80833) Schneiderman & Sherman P.C. 23938 Research Dr Suite 300 Farmington Hills, MI 48335 248.539.7400 25-000738-1 1563515 (06-05)(06-19)

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT ALLEGAN COUNTY NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate CASE NO. 25-65662-DE and JUDGE Hon. Jolene Clearwater Court address 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010 Court telephone no.(269) 673-0250 Estate of Dennis Gerald Taylor Date of Birth:*9/25/1950 TO ALL CREDITORS: ** NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Dennis Gerald Taylor, died 1/3/2024. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Brenda Toll, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. 6/9/2025 Jeffery A. Greve P80632 200 Viridian Dr. Muskegon, MI 49440 (231) 571-0757 Brenda Toll 118 Allett St. Allegan, MI 49010 (616) 312-7746

STATE OF MICHIGAN 48th JUDICIAL DISTRICT JUDICIAL CIRCUIT COUNTY PROBATE ORDER FOR SERVICE BY PUBLICATION/POSTING AND NOTICE OF ACTION CASE NO 25-70158-PD Court address 113 Chestnut St., Allegan, Michigan 49010 Court telephone no. (269) 673-0300 Plaintiff name(s), address(es), and telephone no(s). GTSC WAREHOUSE, LLC by its servicer Triad Financial Services, Inc. Plaintiffs attorney, bar no, address, and telephone no. TROTT LAW, P.C. By: Quinn W. Gray (P88115) 31440 Northwestern Hwy., Ste. 145 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 248.282.3454 T#522415L01 v Defendant name(s), address(es), and telephone no(s). BRANDY L. LONGORIA 3530 Windsor Woods Dr., #22 Wayland, MI 49348-1405 TO: BRANDY L. LONGO IT IS ORDERED: 1. You are being sued in this court by the plaintiff to for deliver of property known as 3530 Windsor Woods Dr. #22, Wayland, MI 49348 . You must file your answer or take other action permitted by

law in this court at the court address above on or before 28 days after the date of last publication if you fail to do so, a default judgment may be entered against you for the relief demanded in the complaint filed in this case. 2. A copy of this order shall be published once each week in a newspaper that publishes in Allegan County for three consecutive weeks, and proof of publication shall be filed in this court. 6/2/25 Matthew Antkoviak P-59449 6-12 6-26

PUBLICATION OF NOTICE TO CREDITORS REVOCABLE TRUST In the Matter of: THE COLLEEN M. SMITH LIVING TRUST TAKE NOTICE: The Colleen M. Smith Living Trust ("The Trust") was established on January 27, 2015. The Settlor, Colleen M. Smith lived at 2900 143rd Avenue, Dorr, Michigan 49323, was born on May 30, 1929 and died on May 5, 2025. NOTICE TO CREDITORS: Creditors of the Settlor, Colleen M. Smith, and/or "The Trust" are notified that all claims against The Colleen M. Smith Living Trust will be forever barred unless presented to: Rodney D. Smith, Successor Trustee, of 2896 143rd Avenue, Dorr, Michigan 49323, within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. Dated: June 2nd, 2025 Michael J. Becker P81132 ORTON, TOOMAN, HALE, MCKOWN & KIEL, P.C. 314 Trowbridge St., P.O. Box 239 Allegan, MI 49010 (269) 673-2136

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Trust Trust: The Joyce E. Sneller Revocable Living Trust Agreement, DTD May 2, 2005 TO ALL CREDITORS: * NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Joyce E. Sneller , who lived at 5 Trillium Court, Holland, MI 49423 died 02/25/2025 Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the trust will be forever barred unless presented to the Trustee, Michael A. Schaap , within 4 months from the date of publication of this notice. 05/29/2025 Blaque W. Hough P-47697 300 South State St., Ste. 11 Zeeland, MI 49464 (616) 212-9336 Michael A. Schaap 121 Glendale Ave. Holland, MI 49423

NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate Allegan County Probate Court / Case # 25-65640-DE Estate of Deborah Jean Larson Date of Birth: 11/04/1966 NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Deborah Jean Larson, died on October 14, 2024. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Scott Walker, personal representative, or to both the probate court (at 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010) and the personal representative, within four (4) months after the date of publication of this notice. Date: May 28, 2025 Attorney:

Edwin J. Vander Ploeg, Jr. (P46255) Hoesch & Vander Ploeg, PLC 156 W. Washington Avenue Zeeland, MI 49464-1102 (616) 772-5221 Personal Representative: Scott Walker 5672 109th Avenue Pullman, MI 49450 (269) 217-4036

Notice of Foreclosure by Advertisement Notice is given under section 3212 of the revised judicature act of 1961, 1961 PA 236, MCL 600.3212, that the following mortgage will be foreclosed by a sale of the mortgaged premises, or some part of them, at a public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash or cashier's check at the place of holding the circuit court in Allegan County, starting promptly at 9:00 AM, on July 17, 2025. The amount due on the mortgage may be greater on the day of sale. Placing the highest bid at the sale does not automatically entitle the purchaser to free and clear ownership of the property. A potential purchaser is encouraged to contact the county register of deeds office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge a fee for this information: Name(s) of the mortgagor(s): Paige Land, a married woman Original Mortgagee: Mortgage Electronic Registration Systems, Inc., as mortgagee, as nominee for lender and lender's successors and/or assigns Foreclosing Assignee (if any): Austin Capital Bank, SSB Date of Mortgage: October 20, 2022 Date of Mortgage Recording: October 31, 2022 Amount claimed due on date of notice: \$275,495.67 Description of the mortgaged premises: Situated in Township of Ganges, Allegan County, Michigan, and described as: Commencing at the Southwest corner of Section 20, Town 2 North, Range 16 West; thence East along the South section line 1542.96 feet to the Point of Beginning of this description; thence North 208.71 feet; thence East 208.71 feet; thence South 208.71 feet to the South Section line; thence West on said South Section line 208.71 feet to the Point of Beginning Common street address (if any): 6935 116th Ave, Fennville, MI 49408-9782 The redemption period shall be 6 months from the date of such sale, unless determined abandoned in accordance with MCL 600.3241a; or, if the subject real property is used for agricultural purposes as defined by MCL 600.3240(16). If the property is sold at foreclosure sale under Chapter 32 of the Revised Judicature Act of 1961, pursuant to MCL 600.3278 the borrower will be held responsible to the person who buys the property at the mortgage foreclosure sale or to the mortgage holder for damaging the property during the redemption period. Attention homeowner: If you are a military service member on active duty, if your period of active duty has concluded less than 90 days ago, or if you have been ordered to active duty, please contact the attorney for the party foreclosing

the mortgage at the telephone number stated in this notice. This notice is from a debt collector. Date of notice: June 12, 2025 Trott Law, P.C. 31440 Northwestern Hwy, Suite 145 Farmington Hills, MI 48334 (248) 642-2515 1563869 (06-12)(07-03)

Notice to Creditors Estate of Marion A. Ballard Date of Birth: March 18, 1933 TO ALL CREDITORS: NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Marion A. Ballard, of 425 East Elm Street, Wayland, MI 49348, Allegan County, Michigan died April 26, 2025. Creditors of Marion A. Ballard are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to: Douglas C. Ballard, Trustee of the Ballard Revocable Trust, under agreement dated October 5, 2022, care of Carrier Law, P.C., 4965 East Beltline Avenue NE, Grand Rapids, Michigan 49525 within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. June 5, 2025 David L. Carrier P41531 4965 East Beltline Avenue NE Grand Rapids, MI 49525 (616) 361-8400 Douglas C. Ballard 962 - 133rd Avenue Wayland, MI 49348

STATE OF MICHIGAN PROBATE COURT ALLEGAN COUNTY NOTICE TO CREDITORS Decedent's Estate CASE NO. 25-65513-DE and JUDGE Court address 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010 Court telephone no.(269) 673-0250 Estate of Sandra L. Gleason, Deceased Date of Birth:*12-11-1938 TO ALL CREDITORS: ** NOTICE TO CREDITORS: The decedent, Sandra L. Gleason, Deceased, died 01-16-2024. Creditors of the decedent are notified that all claims against the estate will be forever barred unless presented to Christopher T. Antkoviak, personal representative, or to both the probate court at 113 Chestnut Street, Allegan, MI 49010 and the personal representative within 4 months after the date of publication of this notice. 6-5-2025 Christopher T. Antkoviak P59448 416 Hubbard Street Allegan, MI 49010 (269)673-8468 Christopher T. Antkoviak 416 Hubbard Street Allegan, MI 49010 (269)673-8468

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ALLEGAN COUNTY BUILDING, ALLEGAN, MICHIGAN 49010 File No.: 25-70126-CH HON. MATTHEW ANTKO-VIAK LONA SLITER and FRED SLITER Plaintiffs Vs

JUAN TREVINO, ALICIA TREVINO, JOSE ALFARO SR., JOSE ALFARO JR CANDELARIO TREVINO; and each of their unknown Hiers, Devisees and Assigns Defendants Michael J. Becker P81132 ORTON, TOOMAN, HALE, MCKOWN & KIEL, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiffs 314 Trowbridge St., PO Box 239 Allegan, MI 49010 (269) 673-2136 MOTION FOR ENTRY OF JUDGMENT BY DEFAULT Plaintiffs, by and through their counsel, Orton, Tooman, Hale, McKown & Kiel, P.C., hereby state as follows: 1. On or about February 18, 2025, Plaintiffs filed a complaint against Defendants for Specific Performance and Adverse Possession as a result of failing to provide a deed in fulfillment of the land contract. 2. Defendants were served by publication as a result of the order for alternative service on April 17, 24, and May 1, 2025. 3. Defendants never filed an Answer to the Complaint. 4. Defendants were defaulted and an Order of Default was entered by this court on or about May 29, 2025. 5. Plaintiffs have attached the proposed judgment as Exhibit 1. WHEREFORE, Plaintiffs request that this court enter judgment quieting title and providing Plaintiffs with exclusive ownership of 5330 118th Avenue, Fennville, Michigan. Dated: May 30, 2025 ORTON, TOOMAN, HALE, MCKOWN & KIEL, P.C. Michael J. Becker Attorney for Plaintiffs

STATE OF MICHIGAN IN THE CIRCUIT COURT FOR THE COUNTY OF ALLEGAN COUNTY BUILDING, ALLEGAN, MICHIGAN 49010 File No.: 25-70126-CH HON. MATTHEW ANTKO-VIAK LONA SLITER and FRED SLITER Plaintiffs Vs JUAN TREVINO, ALICIA TREVINO, JOSE ALFARO SR., JOSE ALFARO JR CANDELARIO TREVINO; and each of their unknown Hiers, Devisees and Assigns Defendants Michael J. Becker P81132 ORTON, TOOMAN, HALE, MCKOWN & KIEL, P.C. Attorneys for Plaintiffs 314 Trowbridge St., PO Box 239 Allegan, MI 49010 (269) 673-2136 NOTICE OF HEARING PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that a hearing on Plaintiff's Motion for Entry of Judgment by Default will be held on Monday, July 21, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. before the Hon. Matthew Antkoviak in the Circuit Courtroom, County Building, Allegan, Michigan. ORTON, TOOMAN, HALE, MCKOWN & Kiel, P.C. Dated: June 4, 2025 BY :Michael J. Becker Attorney for Plaintiff 6-12

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RELIGION SECTION

Father’s Day will be observed on Sunday the 15th of June. Its origins date back to medieval Europe, but more recently, it began in this country during the first decade of the last century, and quickly spread from coast to coast. Compared to Mother’s Day, this holiday does not seem to have much traction. We can easily get sentimental about our mother, but it is hard work to feel the same about our father.

As with almost any holiday, the detractors are always with us. There will be some who will bitterly complain about what they shove under the umbrella of Toxic Masculinity. Whatever it is, it is a man’s fault, whether it is justified or not. It is far easier to get a present for mum than it is for dad. After another bottle of aftershave, socks, or ties (even though he might never wear another tie in his life) shopping becomes a serious challenge.

Plus, fathers, much like politicians, are often too-easy targets for attempts at humor with a lot of bite in it. That is a shame because most fathers I have en-

countered in life are very self-giving. They work long hours, sometimes at a second job, to provide for their family and save for their children’s education.

One man with whom I am well acquainted, had

worked his way up the corporate ladder to a vice president’s office. The work was good, but meant many long hours, and often traveling to distant offices and factories. The money was very good, but one day he realized his

work was keeping him away too much from his family. When an opening arose in the corporation that meant less money but more time at home, he took it. Then, he opened a small laser print business which he now

shares with his daughter.

That is another example of applying the teachings from Jesus. The Lord told his disciples that he was giving them a new commandment - to love one another. Period. Jesus did not give a list of rules on how to do it but left the details up to us. All we have to do is maintain a loving heart and then put that love into action.

Move on from the teasing and jokes about dads, the complaints and bitterness, and the smirks about his “dad jokes.” Most men who have embraced this sacred calling of fatherhood are doing their best to do the right thing. In turn, they are an example and blessing to all of us. Other men who might not be bio-dads often act continue to teach, lead, and help young men and women grow up to mature adults.

Happy Fathers Day to all of you.

*G C Stoppel
Priest Associate
Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, Allegan, MI*



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Pastor Chad Peckham
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www.cascoumc.org

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673-5995
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Dunningville Reformed Church
2559 M-40, Allegan
Church: 751-5894
Pastor Eric Burrows-Stone
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510-118th Ave., Martin
269-672-5746
www.eastmartincrc.org

Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd
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Fennville, MI 49408
269-561-2683

Fennville United Methodist Church
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269-561-5048
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www.fennvilleumc.org

First Presbyterian Church
200 Cutler Street, Allegan
Church: 673-4631
www.fpcallegan.org
10:30 service time.

First Baptist Church
1290 32nd St., Allegan
Service at 10:00am
Pastors Nathan Smith & Brendon Bayley
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Church Office: 673-3139
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Plainwell, MI 49080
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Office 793-7929

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Hamilton MI 49419
269.264.4900
Gracechurchofhamilton@gmail.com

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4691 Oak Street, Hamilton
(269)751-7300
Pastor Mike Drew
FB:havenreformedchurch

Hope Lutheran Church
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(269) 685-1348
Pastor Nicole Smith
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(269) 793-7361
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Hopkins United Methodist Church
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(269) 793-7323
Pastor Kelsey French

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269-521-4580 ·
Pastor Don Miller
- Immanuel Lutheran Church**
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Rev. Christopher Laughlin

Kingdom Hall of Jehovah's Witness
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1900 M-40, Allegan
Pastor Nathan Strom
Church: 673-4412

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Pastor: Matthew Hendricks
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Pastor Everett Belue
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616 688 5290
Pastor Mark Vande Zande

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10:00 a.m. Worship
Reverend Dan Minor
Otsegomethodistchurch.org

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Otsego, MI 49078
9:30 Fellowship 10:00 Worship
Rev Ron Hansen
Pathfindernorth.com

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694-6104

Pearl United Methodist Church
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269-561-5048 Worship 9:30 am
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231) 923-6887 - (231) 923-6959
Email: gytj@yahoo.com

Plainwell First Baptist Church
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(269) 685-8888
Pastor George Osborn

Plainwell First United Methodist Church
200 Park St. Plainwell
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Pastor Sarah Montgomery

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616-510-7416
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River of Life Church
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269-672-9904
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Dan Rachor, Pastor
Church: 673-3284
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672-7097 - Church office
Pastor Margaret Stoken

South Monterey United Methodist Church
Pastor Kelsey French
Church: 793-7323

St. Francis of Assisi Episcopal Church
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269-664-4345
Service: Sundays 9:30 am

Saint John's Church Of God In Christ
716 Academy St, Allegan
Rev. Jeremiah Johnson Sr.
Phone: 673-8590—673-3007

St. John's Evangelical Lutheran Church
1764 34th St., Allegan
Pastor Ronald Kruse 673-2079
Sunday Worship 11:00 a.m.

St. Margaret's Catholic Church
766 S. Farmer St., Otsego
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269.857.5633
6069 Blue Star Hwy, Saugatuck, MI 49453
Sunday Worship: 10:00am

Trowbridge Community Church
355 26th Street, Otsego
Pastor Mykel Hall, Pastor Church: 673-5502

The River Flows with Hope and Healing
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Unity Baptist Church
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Pastor Kelly Ryan
Cell # (269) 330-2217

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Pastor Tim Morris
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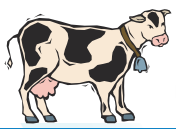
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Shampoo or
Conditioner
8 - 13.5 oz.

\$5.99



Select Varieties
Dial
Foaming
Hand Soap
30 - 52 oz.

\$7.99



TopCare
Pre-Nasal
Decongestant
36 ct.

\$3.49



Select Varieties
VO5
Shampoo or
Conditioner
15 oz.

2/\$3



Select Varieties
Old Spice
Deodorant
2.6 - 3 oz.

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Select Varieties
Dial
Bar Soap
8 ct.

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manufacturer
coupons up to and
including 50¢
Tuesdays & Sundays!
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IN-AD COUPON

5% Senior Discount
(55 & Older)

WEDNESDAY ONLY

(Excluding Alcohol, Tobacco Products, lottery, stamps,
gift cards, Western Union and money orders)

PLEASE PRESENT COUPON BEFORE STARTING PURCHASE.
COUPON VALID WEDNESDAY, JUNE 11, 2025 ONLY!

Seafood Sale!

Prices Effective: Friday & Saturday

June 13 & 14, 2025 - 11am - 5pm

Allegan & Colon locations only.

WHILE SUPPLIES LAST

Black Pearl
Atlantic
Scottish
Salmon Fillets

\$12.99
lb.

Lemons
each

2/\$1



Cod
Fillets

\$11.99
lb.

Black Pearl
Blackened
Cod

10 oz.
\$11.99



Walleye
Portions

8 oz.

\$9.99

Lobster
Tail

4 oz.

\$7.99



Individually
Quick Frozen

Jumbo Sea
Scallops

U-15

\$24.99
lb.

Peeled & Deveined,
Tail-On

Raw
Shrimp

16 - 20 ct.

\$8.99
lb.



Hand Made

Crab
Cakes

each

2/\$5

Superior Select
Smoked
Whitefish
or Smoked
Salmon Spread

7 oz.

\$4.99



Graduation 2025!

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June 9 - JUNE 15, 2025

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Good Only at Village Market Food Centers
6/09/25 - 6/15/25

PLU #502

\$5 OFF
Any Large
Deli Party Tray



Our Family Plastic Party Cups
50 ct.

\$4.99



Old Neighborhood Shaved Steak
14 oz.

\$6.99



Oscar Mayer Stack Pack Ham
16 oz.

\$5.99



Select Varieties
Smithfield Anytime Favorites Sliced Ham
1.5 lb.

\$7.99



Eckrich Cocktail Smokies
28 oz.

\$7.99



Curly's BBQ Rib
24 oz.

\$13.99



Select Varieties
Eckrich Smoked Sausage
30 - 42 oz.

\$7.99



Smithfield Diced or Cubed Ham
8 oz.

\$2.99



Select Varieties
Curly's Pulled BBQ
12 - 16 oz.

\$5.99



Armour Original Meatballs
64 oz.

\$12.99



Armour Summer Sausage
20 oz.

\$5.99



Select Varieties
Armour Meatballs
25 oz.
(excludes beef)

\$5.99



Select Varieties
Marzetti Vegetable Dip
12 oz.

2/\$7



Sweet Grape Tomatoes
(10 oz. pkg.) or
Open Acres Baby Carrots
(2 lb. bag)

2/\$5



Our Family Vegetable Party Platter
40 oz.

\$12.99



Bakery Fresh
Iced Cupcakes
Decorated for the Occasion
24 ct.

\$29.99
Save at least \$3.00



Bakery Fresh
Iced Cupcakes
Decorated for the Occasion
48 ct.

\$59.99
Save at least \$3.00



Small Cartwheel Rolls
16 oz.

\$5.99
Save at least \$1.00



Fresh Baked
Potato or Dinner Rolls
8 - 12 ct., 12 oz.

\$3.99
Save at least 50¢



Select Varieties
Dutch Farms Cracker Cut Cheese
7 oz.

2/\$6



Dutch Farms Party Tray
Variety or Premium
16 oz.

\$5.99



Select Varieties
Dutch Farms Frozen Chicken
(3 lb. bag) or
Wings (2 lb. bag)

\$7.99



Our Famous
50-Piece Deli Fried Chicken

\$59.99



Our Famous
100-Piece Deli Fried Dark Meat Chicken

\$89.99



Sandridge Salads
Mustard or Original
Potato Salad,
Macaroni Salad
or Cole Slaw

\$1.99 lb.
Save at least \$1.00 lb.



Assorted Varieties
Garden Fresh Tortilla Chips or Salsa
14 - 16 oz.

\$3.99
Save at least 80¢



King's Hawaiian Hawaiian Rolls
12 ct.

\$4.99

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